



Sermon Discussion Guide

March 30 & 31, 2024

"Ultimate Hero"

[John 20:1-8](#)

PRAY & CONNECT

Open in prayer and invite the Holy Spirit into your conversation. Ask God for wisdom and discernment and trust him to guide you. Take time to recap the message or view it on [HopeOnline.tv](#). Did you have any "ah-ha" moments where you felt convicted, compelled, or inspired during the sermon? What's been on your mind this week? Have you been able to apply the message to your everyday life?

GROW

Read [John 20:1-8](#) - *"The Empty Tomb"*

- What stands out to you about the story of the empty tomb? What possible explanations could people have come up with as to why it was empty? Where does the evidence point? What details help make the case for the Resurrection?
- What happened to the disciples after the Resurrection? How did they act differently from before?

Read [1 Corinthians 15:12-21](#) - *"The Resurrection of the Dead"*

- Why is the Resurrection so central to our faith? Why does it matter? What is Paul's point about the Resurrection?

Read [Acts 5:38-39](#) - *"The Apostles Persecuted"*

- What is happening in this passage? What ended up happening to their (the apostle's) "purpose?" Did it fail or does it continue?
- Have you ever had doubts about your faith or the resurrection? What questions do you still have about it? How can you go about finding those answers?

APPLY

Talk with your group about any doubts or questions you have about the resurrection. Help each other to find answers and do some research of the evidence. If you're interested, check out the books Pastor Mike recommended.

1. "The Case for Christ" by Lee Strobel
2. "The Resurrection of the Son of God" by N.T. Wright
3. "Hope in Times of Fear" by Timothy Keller
4. "Letters from a Skeptic" by Gregory Boyd & Edward Boyd