



**Hill Cliffe Study Guide
Easter Sunday
Sunday 31 March 2024**

1. What impacted you most from the Easter Weekend Services and Sunday's Sunday?

Please read Luke 24. 1-12; Luke 9.22; Luke 17.24-26

2. How is it consistent with God's choosing of witnesses / representatives that it is a women-only group who are the first witnesses and representatives of Jesus' resurrection? Why does that matter?
3. Why do you think the apostles, including Peter, reacted as they did to the women's testimony?
4. Why do you think Jesus' disciples 'filtered out' his previous messages about his death and resurrection? How does this speak to the story's 'realness' and authenticity?

Please read Luke 24.36-49

5. Why do you think Jesus went to such lengths to ensure his disciples verified and became convinced that he, himself, had been raised from the dead – not as a ghost or a spirit, but as the same physical flesh and bones body that had been buried in the tomb?

Jesus' resurrection is the firstfruit and example for the resurrection of his people to follow.

Please read John 11.24-26; Romans 6.8; 8.11

6. What does Jesus' resurrection tell us about our resurrection to come?
7. Please read **1 Corinth 15.42-44 and Revelation 21.3-4** At the resurrection, how will your body remain yours' – and yet be renewed – fit for God's presence and the new creation?

Please read Acts 1.21-23; 2.31-33; 4.1-2; 4.32-33; 17.18

8. How did Jesus' resurrection shape the lives and the preaching of the apostles thereafter?
9. How does this challenge the centrality of the resurrection of Jesus to your life and testimony?