

	<p>EASTER AT CENTRAL 2025</p>
 BIG IDEA	<p>The resurrection of Jesus demands a response because if it's true, it changes everything.</p>
 ICE BREAKER	<p>Share about a significant conversation that changed the direction of your life. What made that conversation so impactful?</p>
 MAIN POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Everything Big Begins with a Conversation ● Easter leads to the biggest conversation about faith: the Resurrection ● Three common theories against the resurrection and their shortcomings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Google Maps Theory (Wrong Tomb) ○ The Swoon Theory ○ The Heist Theory ● The circumstantial evidence for Jesus' resurrection is compelling ● If the resurrection is true, Jesus becomes the credible answer to life's big questions ● Jesus is uniquely qualified to free us from sin and death ● The resurrection is the proof of Christianity, not the behavior of Christians or answered prayer
 DISCUSS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why do you think Jesus remains so influential 2,000 years after his death, despite never traveling far, writing books, or holding office? 2. Which of the three theories against the resurrection did you find most interesting to consider? Why? 3. Pastor Shan says, "It takes more faith to be an unbeliever than it takes to be a believer." Do you agree or disagree? Explain your reasoning. 4. Reflect on the prison illustration. How does Jesus' role as the one who "sets prisoners free" speak to your own life experience? 5. Jesus asked, "Do you believe this?" (John 11:25-26). Where are you in your journey of belief regarding the resurrection? 6. How might this Easter message change the way you approach conversations about faith with others?
 NEXT STEP	<p>Is there someone in your life who needs to hear the hope that comes from the resurrection? How might you start that conversation?</p>
 SCRIPTURE	<p>John 14:6 - Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."</p> <p>John 11:25-26 - I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?</p>
 NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK	<p>Join us next week and invite a friend as start a new series exploring who Jesus is, called I AM!</p>

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