**“Easter 2023”**

**April-8/9, 2023**

**Speaker: Tom Hughes, Matt Price, Jake Walker**

Below are study questions that will help you and your Life Group dig deeper into this weekend’s sermon. Feel free to only use those which best fit your group’s allotted time.

**Scripture Reflection:** Read **Matthew 28:1-10 (NLT) & John 3:16-17 (NLT).** Spend a few minutes reflecting on the passage, and then ask the group to share what stands out.

**Application Questions:**

1. The first point from the Easter sermon was, *“God’s will is not always easy, but it is always good.”*
   1. Share a time in your life when doing what you knew God was asking of you was not easy, but eventually you saw the good in God’s plan.
2. The second point from the Easter sermon was, *“You don’t always have the power to control, but you do always have the power to surrender.”*
   1. Share some examples of circumstances you have tried to control your life? What was the outcome of your efforts to control? What made “surrendering” so difficult or challenging for you?
3. The final point of the Easter sermon was, *“God will do way more with your surrender than you can do with your control.”*
   1. What are some of the things God has done in those areas where you have surrendered to His will?
   2. What are some of the things you have learned about God’s character in your journey of learning to give up control and surrender to Him?

**Closing & Prayer**: [set aside sufficient time for prayer]

* Pray for the personal prayer request(s) of those in your group
* Pray for those who made new commitments or recommitments to Jesus at one of our Easter services that they would continue in those commitments
* Pray that God would continue to bless and grow our “in person” attendance in 2023