

PRACTICAL APPLICATION _____

1. What difference does the death and resurrection of Christ make in your life?

2. The last four weeks we have learned about God's story and His plan of salvation for the world. Have you embraced God's plan of salvation for your own life? If so, take a few minutes and go around the room to tell your group about how you were saved. If not, ask your group leader to lead you in a prayer of salvation before you leave your group meeting.

PRAYER REQUESTS _____

MESSAGE NOTES

Final Words series
A Word of Triumph
John 19:30; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

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CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of April 9, 2023

Final Word series

GETTING STARTED _____

1. In our culture, what crimes would one have to be convicted of to face the possibility of receiving a death sentence?

2. What is the execution of a criminal meant to communicate to the public? Does it succeed in doing so? Why or why not?

DIGGING DEEPER _____

1. Read **John 19:29-30**. When Jesus said, “It is finished,” what was He referring to, and in what sense was it “finished”?

What did John mean in stating that Jesus “gave up His spirit”? How does this phrase compare to simply saying, “Jesus died”?

2. The final words of Jesus were, “It is finished.” Read **Colossians 2:13-15**. How does this passage help us better understand Jesus’ declaration as He took his final breath?

What did Jesus’ death accomplish for us and for our world?

3. In **1 Corinthians 15:1-5**, Paul gives a simple explanation of the Gospel. In the space below, write out the three parts of the Gospel as it is explained by Paul.

We often think of Christ’s death alone as atonement for our salvation, but that is not complete. Why is the resurrection necessary?

If Christ stayed in the tomb, would His death have covered everyone’s sins? Why or why not?

4. The Apostle Paul said in **1 Corinthians 15:4** that everything that happened to Jesus was “in accordance with the Scriptures.” Read the following verses as a group and define the prophecy and the fulfillment:

Prophecy: **Leviticus 17:11**
Fulfillment: **Matthew 26:28**

Prophecy: **Psalms 22:1**
Fulfillment: **Matthew 27:46**

Prophecy: **Psalms 22:15**
Fulfillment: **John 19:28**

Prophecy: **Psalms 31:5**
Fulfillment: **Luke 23:46**

Why is it fundamental to know the prophecy and fulfillment in the Scriptures?