

(>) GETTING STARTED

This weekend we started our new series, *Come Alive*, and learned that God's vision is for us to experience the power of Jesus' resurrection in every area of our lives.

As you begin the study, read this passage below:

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1. As you think back over the first message in this new series, *Come Alive*, what was your top takeaway?
- 2. In the weekend message, Dre opened with highlighting John 10:10. Read that verse several times. What jumps out to you from it?
 - a. At some point in life, all of us have been deceived and chosen to pursue something we were convinced would bring us life but in the end brought death. As you look back over your life, what are some things you pursued that you were convinced would bring life, but ultimately didn't?
- 3. This weekend Dre shared that it's God's vision for us to experience resurrection life in every area of our lives, even the areas we long thought were dead.
 - a. How have you seen Jesus bring new life to areas of your life that you thought had no chance to come alive?
 - b. How does remembering what He has done in the past bring hope for your future?

4. The main passage Dre explored in his message was in Ezekiel 37:1-14. In this passage, God brings new life to an entire valley of dry bones. Now read Ephesians 2:1-10 through the lens of how God brings life from death.
a. Before coming to faith in Jesus, what does Paul say is the state of humanity?
b. Once a person has been saved by grace through faith in Jesus, what is their new state?
c. How have you seen God change your desires and thoughts?
5. Read Isaiah 61:1-3. This passage is what Jesus read when He first began His ministry. What Jesus started then, He is continuing to do today.
a. What words or phrases from these verses did the Holy Spirit highlight for you? Why do you think that is?
b. Why do you think Jesus chose to use this verse at the beginning of His ministry?
c. Who, in your life right now, could you share this verse with as a form of encouragement to them? Spend a couple minutes praying for that person and ask God to open the door for you to be able to share it with them.
6. Dre concluded his message by asking "What 'Grave' Is Jesus Opening?"
a. How would you answer that question?
b. What fears do you have of Jesus opening that "grave" in your life?
c. What excites you about Jesus opening that "grave" in your life?
d. Looking to the future, if Jesus brings resurrection life into that area of your life, what do you think would be different in your life and in your relationship with Him?