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Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense... You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature.... Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. Colossians 2:8-13 various (NLT)



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# [CONNECT]

What are some of your favorite Easter memories? Did your family do anything special during this season?

## [ENGAGE]

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

## [GROW]

- How does the passage from Ephesians 3:18-19 describe the love of Christ? In what ways might the vastness of Christ's love, impact a believer's understanding of their worth and identity?
- What does the empty tomb signify for the future of those who follow Jesus?
- How does the imagery of a "slate wiped clean" in Colossians 2:13-14 speak to the idea of transformation and new beginnings?
- Reflect on a time when you felt as though a situation in your life was beyond hope. How does the message of the resurrection offer a new perspective on that situation?
- Is there a past mistake or a part of your history that you feel defines you? How can you start to see yourself as God sees you, as a new creation, this week?

# [LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Think of a "stone" in your life that seems to be blocking your path to abundant life in Christ. What is one action you can take to begin rolling away that stone in light of the resurrection power?