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Focus God, the Father, loves His Son, Jesus. He gave His Son to us so that we might be saved. Jesus was punished for our sins and died on the cross. He was raised again from the dead and now sits in heaven. If we receive Him as our Savior and ask Him to forgive our sins, we can join Him one day for all eternity.

Fun Did you know that in Christianity the egg is a symbol for rebirth? Did you ever dye eggs as a child? If so, what was your favorite color? If your family had Easter egg hunts in the past, can you remember who usually found the most eggs?

Review *For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*
John 3:16

1. He was given.

Isaiah 9:6

A good Father gave His Son for us. God knew that His Son would be sacrificed so that we could be saved.

2. He was killed.

2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Thessalonians 1:10

Jesus told His disciples at least three times that He was going to suffer many things and be killed, but they did not understand. Jesus took our punishment, and God put our sin on Him. Therefore, justice was served, and God's wrath was satisfied.

3. He was raised.

John 21:14; Acts 2:32, 5:30; 1 Corinthians 6:14

Jesus was killed, raised from the dead, and then seen by over 500 people afterward. If we believe and receive Jesus as our Savior, we also will be raised from the dead to spend eternity with Him in heaven.

Group Dynamics Idea Think of a fun way to mark birthdays for those in your group, then ask another member to keep track of these dates. Once a month, celebrate the occasion by giving cards, baking a special treat, or having them wear a silly hat.

Discuss

1. *Propitiation* means that God's wrath and justice have been satisfied. Explain how this definition applies to a believer. See 1 John 2:2; 1 John 4:10.
2. Read 1 Corinthians 15:6. How many people saw Jesus after He was raised from the dead? Imagine you were one of these people and share what your emotions might have been.
3. Matthew 16:21 reads, "From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life." Why do you think the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying?
4. After reading 1 Corinthians 15:52 and 2 Corinthians 4:14, identify the promises given to the believer in Christ.
5. What must we do to receive Jesus as our Savior according to Romans 10:9? If you are not already saved and want to be, agree in your heart with these words.

Take Home

- God has a Son whose name was Jesus.
- God gave that Son for me.
- Jesus was killed, took my sin upon Himself, and was punished.
- He was raised to life again.
- When I receive Jesus as my Savior, I can be raised to life again one day.
- As a believer, I will spend eternity with Jesus.

Prayer Lord, I ask You to forgive me for my sins. I receive Jesus as my Savior, and because He died for me and was raised from the dead, I can now join Him in heaven one day for all eternity. In Jesus' name, Amen.

New Leader Tip Every so often, you may want to plan an activity outside of the normal group time. Meeting your members for a restaurant meal, joining together for a BBQ at a fellow member's home, or selecting a movie you can watch together is great fellowship.