

# METRO EASTER 2020

## Discussion Notes

The story of Easter has so many different sides to it that the story of Jesus rising from the dead can impact us in lots of different ways. What did Jesus rising from the dead say to you today?

Read Luke 24:1-12; 36-29.

Jesus cooks 'broiled fish' for the disciples. It's an interesting detail that shows us the physicality of the resurrected Jesus. This shows us that resurrection isn't about doing away with the physical world, as if only the spiritual stuff matters.

- Why is this important and what can we learn from it?

Jesus' hands and feet are the key detail in this story. God could have healed his hands and feet like the rest of Jesus' body. But it is seeing the scars from his pierced hands and feet that make all the difference for the disciples.

- Philip said that the defining characteristic of Jesus is his wounds. Do you agree? What does this mean for us?

Philip explained just how excruciating crucifixion would have been. The nails would be driven between the bones in Jesus' wrists and feet. He would have died from suffocation as he pulled his body weight up by the nails to be able to breath.

- Do you forget quite how horrific the crucifixion would have been?
- How does knowing the details of what Jesus suffered for you affect your relationship with him?

How did you answer (or would you answer) the general 'poll' question: How are you managing the lockdown?

- A. Surprisingly well
- B. Just about coping
- C. Really struggling

Talk about your experience and explain why you gave the answer you did. How can others in Hub help you and how can you help others in Hub?

Finally, were you able to invite any friends to watch the Easter online service? What was their experience and how have you been able to discuss things with them since?

Take time as a Hub to pray for those people and ask that God would continue to use you as a witness and a light in this time of darkness and confusion, that many would find Jesus through us in this crisis.