

Baycities Lomita Spring 2019 Growth Groups
Special Message: Easter Sunday 2019
Theme: “He’s Not Here... He Has Risen!”- Week of April 21st, 2019

Follow-Up Bible Study and Discussion Questions
Last Week For The Spring 2019 Semester of Growth Groups!

Message Summary: This week is the Super Bowl of Christianity... Easter... Resurrection Sunday! And, it's the last week of our Growth Groups until the fall! Just a note: We're beginning a Bible Study and Teaching series on Sunday Nights starting next week, April 28th at 5:30PM to 6:45PM at the church. We call it New Community! Since we are the New Community of God's Believers and Jesus followers, then we have a need to understand how the New Community deal with life and mission! We will be studying and teaching out of the Book of Romans... the last word on much of the Bible theology and insight for every believer! So, plan to join us! We'll have a bunch of teachers rotating through, helping us get into the material! Me, Pastor Nathan, George Deur, Kevin Valentia, Jose Jurado, Phil Gerard and more! So, don't miss a single week starting next Sunday night! I have the first two to see how it goes! Q&A follows each teaching session! Back to the session today... Jesus is alive! The resurrection happened just as He predicted! Now how should we then live? Should we be looking for eternal things that our new life needs in the same old places we used to look for life's meaningful moments before Jesus came into our lives? I think not! But we do. How do we begin to upgrade and change our "search patterns" for the things Jesus knows will motivate and satisfy our souls? Good things to discuss together today! Also, I threw in some questions to look back over your session, and provide some feedback on the sessions and the process. Look forward to hearing how it went!! Love you all! Jesus has risen from the dead!!! Hallelujah!

1. If you were explaining the significance and importance of the Resurrection of Jesus to a friend who didn't know Jesus (at work, or on the golf course, etc), how would you describe what happened? Discuss the significance of the Resurrection on the following:
 - a. Our struggle against sin day in and day out.
 - b. What we pray for the people we know... believers and non-believers.
 - c. My urgency to see lost people find Jesus.
 - d. My own thoughts on eternal life.

2. Discuss the highs and lows of your group experience this semester.

- a. Point out at least one thing you can complement/thank your host/leader for this semester.
- b. Give the leader/host one piece of feedback that would make the group better in your opinion next time.
- c. Describe how you could be a better group contributor, better listener, better encourager, etc. the next time around.
- d. Give example(s) of where you see that you have grown spiritually this Growth Group Semester.
- e. Discuss your intentions to participate in the Lomita Labor Of love, June 1st and 2nd. What questions come to mind that you'd like to get answered about it ASAP?

1). Are there any concerns or hesitations or suggestions you have about serving others (our city, neighbors, hurting people, our church property, etc.) during that upcoming weekend?

3. The mission statement of our church is: **“To engage every person to find, follow and love Jesus.”** We believe that statement in a few words gets at the heart of what we want to do as a church here in Lomita! It guides us in our activity selections and mission focus we take. Discuss the mission statement and provide any feedback you might have including clarity, is it understandable, would you want more info on what it means, your questions, concerns, insights, compliments, excitement, etc.