Grace Group Discipleship Guide



"Forever"

For the week of April 1 - 7, 2018

Main Passages:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16 ESV)

"And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4 And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. 5 But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. 6 He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead…'" (Matthew 28:2-7 ESV)

"'Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.' ⁵Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" (John 14:1-6 ESV)

Main Lessons:

- Jesus did not stay dead nor remain in the tomb. It was not His ultimate resting place.
- Jesus has prepared a place in heaven for those who believe in Him.
- This faith in Christ brings us the promise of a special place in eternity.
- Shakings in life often lead to awakenings of faith and are meant to turn us toward Him.

Reflection:

- What stood out to you from the weekend message, main passages or main lessons above and why?
- Share an experience when your life was shaken. How did God use that shaking to awaken a deeper faith in Him?

Application:

• Encourage each other on how you prepare to respond when the shakings of life happen.

For Prayer:

- Pray that God will use group members to stick close and strengthen the lives of unsaved family and friends when life shakings happen.
- Pray that Jesus will continue to reveal Himself to unsaved family and friends who came to our Easter weekend services.