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LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

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Matthew's Gospel: The God of the Living

Read Matthew 22.23-33

1. What is the context? Who is questioning Jesus? Who are they, what do they believe about the resurrection, what do they believe about angels (Acts 23.8) and why are they questioning Him?
2. What do the Sadducees ask Jesus? What law is this (22.24-28; Deuteronomy 25.5-10)?
3. How does Jesus response to their questioning (22.29-32)? What are the two dimensions that Jesus addresses about the Sadducees? What part of the Scriptures do the Sadducees hold on to as authoritative? What Scripture does Jesus use to answer their question? How is this verse about the resurrection (31-32)?
4. How does Jesus speak about the power of God in the resurrection (30)? What do we know about angels and how will we be like them in the resurrection? What relationship changes in the resurrection?
5. In the Scriptures, we see the spiritual resurrection of believers (Ephesians 2.4-5; 2 Corinthians 5.17) and the bodily resurrection. Discuss the following Scriptures dealing with death, our bodies and the resurrection:
 - 2 Corinthians 5.8: What is the verse speaking of?
 - 1 Thessalonians 4.16-17; 1 Corinthians 15.52
 - Philippians 3.20-21; 1 Corinthians 15.42, 49: What will our bodies be like in the resurrection?
 - 1 Corinthians 15.54-55: What will be defeated at the resurrection of our bodies?
 - Romans 8.21: What about creation during this time?
 - Acts 24.15; John 5.28-29: What will happen to the bodies of unbelievers?
6. How should the words of Jesus encourage us about the Scriptures, the resurrection and the power of God? How should His words effect how we live now?

Pray.