



ASPEN SMALL GROUP

Aspen Group Questions

Week of April 28

Opening Question: Share a time when you were surprised.

Read: John 20:19-31

Sermon Response: What has stayed with you from the sermon this week?

1. What do you imagine the disciples were feeling before Jesus rose and revealed himself to them?
2. Put yourself in the disciples shoes, what would it be like for you to see Jesus appear in the locked room and speak with you?
3. Why does Jesus give them the Holy Spirit?
4. Who is the Holy Spirit and what does the Holy Spirit do?
5. Jesus give the disciples what we call “the office of the keys” the ability to forgive and retain sins. Why?
6. Jesus says he’s sending us in the same way the Father sent him. How is that?
7. Thomas wasn’t there when all of this happened. Put yourself in his shoes, what’s he going through before Jesus appears to him?
8. Why is it significant that Jesus comes back a week later?
9. Why do you think John included this story about unbelief in his gospel?
10. Why do we experience doubt and unbelief?
11. How can our congregation support those who are experiencing doubt?
12. Why does Jesus (and John) want so badly for us to believe?

Make it Personal

1. How have you or are you experiencing doubt?
2. How have fellow Christians helped you in your faith?
3. What keeps you strong in the faith these days?

Share Highs and Lows since you last met

Pray

