

Review:

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## Restoration is Personal

John 19:31-37

*We risk doing real spiritual damage when we cannot tell the difference between our faith and our cultural expressions of that faith. If we are not careful, we can \_\_\_\_\_ in our traditions.*

**Discussion 1. Having our faith and our cultural expressions of that faith so bundled together that we cannot tell them apart is a dangerous thing. Can you think of any examples in your own life?**

*The Biblical narrative of Jesus' crucifixion presents plenty of solid evidence of both his \_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_. Without either of those, the resurrection is meaningless.*

**Discussion 2. Why is it important to Christianity (the movement) that Jesus was fully human and that he died a physical death? Have you ever struggled with either of these points? Have you ever encountered anyone who questioned either of these points?**

*If it sounds to others like all that I know about Jesus I read in the Bible, then my story is not all that compelling, is it? On the other hand, if I can talk about how Jesus changed my life, how he is changing me, then my story becomes \_\_\_\_\_...and compelling.*

**Discussion 3. How is spiritual restoration personal for you? How might you finish this sentence: "There was a time in my life when \_\_\_\_\_ but then Jesus \_\_\_\_\_." In other words, how has Jesus changed your life?**

*For the Christ follower, there is a clarifying sense in which all of scripture either points forward to \_\_\_\_\_ or points back to \_\_\_\_\_. Either way, Jesus is more than just the founder of this revolution: He is our entire operating system.*

**Discussion 4. What's the difference between Jesus being an important influence in my life and Jesus being my entire operating system? How would you describe that difference in your own life?**

**Discussion 5. How does this lesson cause you to pray? How does it prepare your heart for worship?**