Making Sense of Easter

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We all do what makes sense to us.

God intends for the resurrection to make sense.

• He told us to **expect** it.

(John 2:18-22, 11:25; Luke 11:29, 20:17;

24:44-46)

- But he anticipated our **<u>surprise</u>**. (Luke 24:1-12)
- He engaged our senses.
 - Jesus arose on the third day, before he <u>smelled</u>. (Psalm 16:10; Luke 24:1-3; John 11:39)
 - People heard him speak. (Luke 24:36)
 - $\circ~$ He was seen alive. (Luke 24:36-39; 1 Cor. 15:3-8)
 - He was <u>touchable</u>. (Luke 24:39-40; John 20:24-29)
 - He <u>ate</u> with his friends. (Luke 24:41-43)
- He gave us a taste of what's possible. (Luke 24:31, 45-53)

Resurrection Resources

- Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20-21
- www.risenjesus.com
- The Case for Christ/Easter by Lee Strobel
- *Raised? Doubting the Resurrection* by Jonathan Dodson and Brad Watson

Next Steps to Consider...

- Investigate questions you have about Jesus and the resurrection
- □ Read *Life Tastes Better* and talk about it with a friend who follows Jesus.
- □ Today, for the first time, transfer your trust to Jesus and receive his gift of forever life.
- □ Return for "The Working Life" series from April 28-June 2
- Memorize 1 Corinthians 15:14 (CSB)
 if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain, and so is your faith.