

Questions for Conversation

May 10, 2026

After Easter: Living a Life of Resurrection

Family and New Family

1. **Rooting:** Did you (or do you) feel rooted in your family of origin? What attributes or tendencies do you have that you can trace back to your family?
2. **Wrestling:** What do you think about the stories of Jesus' conflict and misunderstandings with his relatives? What do these accounts have to say to us in our struggles with family?
3. **Redefinition:** Why did Jesus redefine his familial relationships? What was he trying to communicate? What comes to mind as you think about being in the family of God?
4. **Restoration:** What do you imagine that Jesus said to his brother James when he appeared to him after the resurrection? What changed for James?
5. What might it look like for you to **differentiate** from familial expectations that are not God's call on your life?
6. Where might you need to **forgive** family members and trust God with your pain?
7. How can you **receive** your new identity in the family of God and **receive** others into the family of God?
8. How can you **weave** your life more closely to others in the family of God? Who can you reach across generations to love this week?