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CONTEXT

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PASSAGE

John 20:1-18

DISCUSS

- Why is hope so important in the midst of life's hardships?
- Can you think of a time when hope helped you endure a tough situation in your life?
- What is the significance of the empty tomb and the grave clothes in John 20:1-10?
- How does the evidence for Jesus's resurrection strengthen your hope and faith?
- How can we relate to the concept of 'already, not yet' in our lives today?

DISCUSS CONTINUED

- What is an area in your life where you are waiting for God's promises to be fulfilled?
- How does despair blind us to God's presence and work in our lives?
- Have you ever experienced despair that made it difficult for you to see God working in your life?
- Why is it important to seek hope in Jesus rather than other sources such as money, power, or people?
- Can you identify a false source of hope you have sought in the past? How can you focus on Jesus as your source of hope instead?

PRAYER

- Pray for God's help in applying the hope of the resurrection to our lives throughout the coming week.
- Pray for those who may be experiencing despair, that they may encounter Jesus and find hope in His presence.
- Pray for the boldness to share about the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection.

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