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Go Deep

“Happy Easter – Living Memorials”
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How did you celebrate Easter as a kid? How do you celebrate Easter now?

What famous memorials have you seen?

Google defines a memorial as: “Something, especially a structure, established to **remind people of a person or event**”

This study investigates how people become living memorials of Jesus.

Read 2 Corinthians 3:2-3.

What is the most memorable letter you have received? Sent?

If Christians are letters to people about God, what message are people reading in those letters?

What message have you read in the letters?

Read 2 Corinthians 2:15

What's your favorite fragrance? Smell?

One survey said the most favorite smell of all is the smell of a campfire. Agree? Disagree?

What words best describe Jesus to you?

If you were to describe Jesus' characteristics in terms of smell, what would your description be?

The image of United Airlines has taken a big hit this week. They are not perceived as “the friendly skies.”

How do you think people perceive Christianity? In your opinion, is it living up to the standards of its founder?

Sunday's teaching listed the following characteristics of a Christ-follower:

The Christ-follower embraces enemy love.

The Christ-follower includes people of other religions (See the story of the Good Samaritan)

The Christ-follower includes people. Period.

The Christ-follower responds with compassion instead of judgment.

The Christ-follower is quick to show mercy (Matthew 9:13; Hosea 6:6)

When the Christ-follower describes what God is like, they describe Jesus (Hebrews 1:1-3).

Would you eliminate any of those characteristics? Would you add some more?

How can the group pray for you this week?