DAY 01 |

Principle:
Matthew recorded his eyewitness account of the resurrection of Jesus.

Read Matthew 28:1-10, Luke 24:6-8, Romans 4:25, Isaiah 53:10-11, and 1 Corinthians 15

1. Why should the resurrection of Jesus be critical to your faith as a Christian?

2. Upon meeting the first people to see Him after His resurrection, Jesus told them, "Do not be afraid." Why does Jesus often need to address our fear when He asks us to work on His behalf?

DAY 02 |

Principle:
Every person will be confronted with the truth of Jesus and be forced to accept or reject who He is.

Read Matthew 28:11-15, Proverbs 19:9, Romans 1:18, 1 Peter 3:15, and 2 Timothy 2:24-25

1. Why did the Jewish religious leaders seek to hide the resurrection of Jesus? Why would other religions or people try to “rewrite” these eyewitness accounts throughout history?

2. How does the Bible teach us to respond when the communities around us actively oppose Jesus?

DAY 03 |

Principle: *Jesus has chosen men to follow Him, knowing each will have seasons when they doubt or drift from Him.*

Read Matthew 28:10, 16-17, Genesis 3:8-10, Isaiah 54:4, Psalm 34:4-6, and 1 John 1:8-10

1. What does the meeting in Galilee teach us about Jesus' feelings towards these eleven disciples who abandoned Him?

2. Every man, at times, hurts people or makes mistakes, and most feel shame at some level because of it. What do you think Jesus is hoping you will do to be restored in those moments?

DAY 04 |

Principle: *God gave Jesus His full authority over everything, and on that authority, Jesus commands His followers to reach the lost.*

Read Matthew 28:18-20, Daniel 7:13-14, Ephesians 1:20-23, Philippians 2:9-11, and Colossians 1:17-20

1. What are all of the things Jesus is declaring about Himself in this text?

2. Jesus provides a clear purpose for every believer in His "Great Commission". When do you find it difficult to live out this calling? Why?