

Lesson 1

The Resurrection Before the Gospel Narratives

REFLECTION GUIDE

Welcome

We're so glad you're here! This guide is designed to help you engage more deeply with The Candler Foundry's on-demand content—whether you're learning solo, facilitating a small group, or joining a community conversation.

As you watch the lesson, take notes on key themes, ideas, and questions that stand out to you. Pause the video when needed to reflect, jot down insights, or revisit an important section. Stay attentive to how the content connects with both your personal faith journey and issues that matter to your community.

Questions

- What teachings have you received about the resurrection? What were you taught about the resurrection that it accomplished or what it signified?
- What do you notice about the resurrection you didn't see before? How does Paul's "bare bones" version allow us to see differently without the fuller stories provided by the gospels?
- Knowing how the ancient people perceived crucifixion, what might you compare it to in our current society?
- How does focusing on the offensive nature of Jesus's resurrection impact or change your perception of it?
- If the good news seems more like a threat than a promise, what or how would you need to change for it to become good news to you?
- How would the church look, act, or sound differently if it focused on the scandalous nature of Jesus's death and resurrection? Be specific.

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