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**Lesson 19:** "Jesus Conquered Death" (click to watch)

Main Idea: Our hope for Jesus' return isn't a "maybe," it's absolutely certain! Since Jesus kept His

promise to come to earth the first time, we know He'll keep His promise to come back again.

Key Verse: "But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and

that by believing you may have life in His name."

John 20:31

## **Ask These Questions:**

- 1. What's the difference between hoping for a new game and hoping in Jesus' return? (When we hope for a new game, we aren't sure whether we'll actually get it. It's just something that we want. Our hope in Jesus' return is certain. God has promised it, and we can count on it.)
- 2. What is "the resurrection"? (When Jesus comes back, those who have believed in and followed Him will be raised to new, eternal life. "Resurrection" just means being raised to new life in Jesus.)
- **3.** What would it mean if there was no resurrection? (It would mean that we have no hope! If Christians just died and were judged like everyone else, we would be silly for believing in Jesus. If the resurrection were not true, our faith would be empty and useless and would end in disappointment.)
- **4.** What does the resurrection mean for us? (It means Jesus will definitely come again for us. He won't disappoint us or abandon us. Jesus himself guarantees our eternal life. He will give us new bodies with no pain, sickness, or death. When we are resurrected at Jesus' return, we will spend eternity with Jesus in the new earth: paradise!)
- **5.** How does this change the way you live? (The hope we have means that we can live this life with comfort, security, and an eternal focus. Instead of getting caught up in the struggles of this life, we can keep our eyes on the good things coming and serve God in this life as we wait for Jesus.)

## **Try This Activity:**

Have your clubber(s) unmake their bed. Then tell them, "If you can re-make your bed in less than 30 seconds, you get to wash all the dishes!" See how fast they make the bed with that reward! Then, tell them that doing the dishes wasn't their actual prize. Unmake their bed again and say, "If you can make your bed in less than 30 seconds, you get to have (a snack/candy that they like)!" Time them again and see if they make it faster than before! Give them the promised treat if they succeed. Explain that our hope in the resurrection changes how we live. Since we know we're working towards an amazing reward, we serve God with joy and determination no matter what. The hard things we go through in life are nothing compared to eternity with Jesus!

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