



## In Between Heaven & Earth

April 5th, 2026

### LEAN IN

- What did you glean/learn this past Easter weekend when it comes to your spiritual practices?
- Between Good Friday, Silent Saturday and Resurrection Sunday, which one stood out to you most this year?

### LOOK UP – Observation, Interpretation, Application (OIA)

**Read Together:** Luke 24:1-8

#### OBSERVATION – What Does the Text Say?

- The women came expecting to find Jesus' body, not a resurrection.
- Jesus was not there—just as He had said.
- The angels reminded them of Jesus' words, and then they remembered.
- Why do you think the women still came expecting death instead of resurrection?
- What stands out about the angels' question?

#### INTERPRETATION – What Does the Passage Mean?

- God's plan was unfolding even when it seemed like hope was lost.
- The question "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" exposes how we often expect death where God brings life.

#### What do you learn about God?

- God is faithful to His word—even when we forget.
- God is active even when we don't see it.
- God brings life out of what appears dead.

### **What do you learn about humanity?**

- We often forget what God has said.
- We tend to expect the worst instead of trusting God's promises.
- We struggle to see beyond our current circumstances.

### **Now make some applications (what's my response?)**

- Where in your life are you "looking for the living among the dead"?
- Where might God already be at work, even if you don't see it yet?

### **How are you encouraged, challenged, or convicted by this passage?**

- Encouraged that God is working even in silence.
- Challenged to trust God's promises in the waiting.
- Convicted of areas where we've lost hope.

### **What should be our response to this passage?**

## **Scripture References**

- Luke 24:1–8
- Colossians 2:15
- Romans 8:10–11
- 1 Peter 3:18–19

## **Prayer**

- **What if each person in your group wrote one sentence based on what you discussed or learned from this message and discussion, and at the end you compiled it into one prayer?**

## **STEP OUT – Practice This Week**

### **1. Name Your "Saturday"**

Identify one area in your life where you feel stuck in the in-between. Write it down and commit to praying over it daily this week, trusting that God is at work.

### **2. Remember His Words**

Each day, read one of the resurrection passages (Luke 24, John 20, Romans 8) and reflect on what God has already promised.

### **3. Bring Heaven to Earth**

Choose one intentional act this week—extend forgiveness, show generosity, or serve someone in need—as a way of living out resurrection power in a tangible way.