

# Sunday Youth – Term 1 - #8 – The Meaning of Easter

What do most people associate with Easter? Choose from the list below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate Easter eggs     | <input type="checkbox"/> Long weekend      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family time               | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious holiday |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus' death on the cross | <input type="checkbox"/> A visit to church |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter bunny              | <input type="checkbox"/> Myths             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hot crossed buns          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____       |

What does Easter mean to you?

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In groups, write down what you know about the Easter story:

Lead Up:	Good Friday:	Easter Sunday:

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-6

Paul says that he passed on what is most important, how does he summarise the Easter story in these verses?

- v.3 \_\_\_\_\_
- v.4 \_\_\_\_\_
- v.5 \_\_\_\_\_

Why is Jesus' death so important?

Why is Jesus is rising from the dead so important? Are we sure it happened?

Paul keeps saying that this happened 'according to the Scriptures'. What does this tell us about the events at Easter? Were they just an accident?

Write a summary of what Easter is about:

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*For Christians, Easter is in amazing time to remember and celebrate what Jesus has done for us. Each of us should answer some important questions as we come to the Easter holidays:*

Look at the statements below and rate on a scale of 1-10 how you feel about each one. (1 = I am unsure, 10 = I am really certain)

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| I understand why Jesus had to die on the cross                             | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| I could give a clear explanation of what a Christian believes about Easter | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| I know I have forgiveness for all my sin because of Jesus                  | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| I try to live my life differently from those who don't know Jesus          | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| I have certainty that my sins are forgiven                                 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |
| I have the certainty of eternal life when I die                            | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 |