MARINERS CHURCH



Easter People Know Who They Are 4.2.23

Now we see but a dim reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. 1 Corinthians 13:32

Who am I, really? Who and what am I becoming?

Jesus invades your world at the worst and best times.

Jesus answered, "My Kingdom is not an earthly kingdom. If it were, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish leaders." John 18:36

"What is truth?" --Pilate John 18:38

Jesus causes us to question our reality.

Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting, "If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar." John 19:4-16

Easter People know who's in charge.

"No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily." –Jesus, John 10:18 (NLT)

Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last. Luke 23:46 (NIV)



Easter people have figured out what to do with Jesus.

"What shall I do with Jesus, who is called the Christ?" -Pilate

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But to all who receive him (Jesus) and believe in his name, God gave them the right to become children of God. John 1:12

For your LifeGroup and growth time.

Have you ever taken a "personality" test or some sort of test to help you figure out your temperament, skills, etc.? If so: what did it say about you?

If a friend could use one word to describe you, what would it be?

Pilate is quite a study. Read the following passages to get a 'feel' for the guy and then talk about the following questions: Matthew 27:11-26. John 18:28-29:22

Who was Pilate? What pressures were upon Pilate BEFORE Jesus?

How did he react to Jesus and how did Jesus' trial add to his problems?

How did Jesus 'mess with' Pilate's head?

Given your personality, what would you have done with Jesus?

How does God "see" you now? How does He see you when you sin, when you are obedient, when you are ignoring Him?

Pray together and support each other!

If you'd like to grow in your faith and connect with others, LifeGroups are a great place for you. For more information, drop us your name and we'll get back to you (emma@marinerscc.org)