**Made For More Sermon Series**

**Easter Week (4/4/21):** Resurrection Reset

**Scripture Text:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

14 For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

16 So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**Sermon Points:**

1. The resurrection is a hard reset on Jesus
2. The resurrection is a hard reset on how we look at people

**Discussion Question Options:**

* How was your Easter? How did you celebrate with others?
* Do you have any horror stories with phone or technology resets? Have you ever lost critical data through a reset error?
* As a follower of Jesus, how will you emerge from this pandemic? What have you learned about your life during the hard reset of the past year? How do you imagine your life being different for the rest of 2021?
* Review vv. 19-20. What does it mean to be told we are ambassadors for Christ, with a calling to made a difference in the lives of others? What makes it difficult to “get out of our embassy (church)” and actually minister the gospel to others?
* As we move into our new sermon series, *Made for More: Seeing God’s Special Calling For Your Life*, do you truly feel like you are made for more, or will you choose to settle for less? As you close in prayer, remind your group of this upcoming conversation and pray for one another to have an impactful experience over this six week discussion.

**Memory Verse:**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ***2 Corinthians 5:17***