A Pandemic Hope Romans 8:11, 18-25

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- What is your favorite memory connected to Easter?
- Read *Romans 8:11, 18-25*. What big themes and concepts is the Apostle Paul addressing here?
- How does the Spirit of God connect us to Jesus Christ and His resurrection? What is promised to us as a result?
- What is the relationship between suffering and glory?
- How does Paul describe the present state of the created world? How do you see this today?
- What future awaits God's creation? How is this connected to the person and work of Jesus Christ? What does this reveal about God's view or value of creation?
- How might this Scripture affect our view of creation stewardship and caring for the environment?
- In what ways is hope different from simple wishful thinking?
 Why is this significant, especially for those in whom the Spirit dwells?
- How is hope aiding you or where do you find hope lacking at the present time? How can your small group or others support and pray for you this week?

For Family Discussion: Draw a picture of the world or a globe. Discuss what you included in your picture and why. Read Romans 8:11, 18-25. Ask: Where does God's Spirit live? What will God's Spirit do for us? What will God do for creation or the physical world in which we live? What things do you hope God will do for you in the future? Pray together and ask for them.

^{*}Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.