

**FACILITATION HELP: ON POINT**

One of the easiest ways to get frustrated as a small group leader is to lose control of the conversation. One student makes a joke and the next student follows it up with a story from last week. Pretty soon there are three separate and random conversations happening around the table instead of the one meaningful conversation you had planned. Keep the conversation focused and productive toward your goal by allowing and acknowledging those rabbit trail comments and then quickly redirecting back to the main point.

STUDENT LESSON

**VIDEO** *Where is the evidence?*[AwanaJourney.com](http://AwanaJourney.com)**CORE CONCEPTS**

The resurrection of Jesus is a historically corroborated event supported by numerous and early sources.

**Source:** Original, eyewitness-documented account

**ESSENTIALS QUESTION: WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT A HISTORICAL EVENT TRULY HAPPENED?**

**STUDENT DISCUSSION 1:**

**HOW IS A MESSAGE OF INSIGHTFUL TEACHING OR GOOD ADVICE DIFFERENT THAN A MESSAGE BASED ON FACTS? WHAT IMPACT DO FACTS HAVE ON THE PERSON LISTENING TO THAT MESSAGE?**

Insightful teaching and good advice may not be based completely on truth and therefore could be misleading or worse, false. Facts prove that a message is true and undeniable.

**STUDENT DISCUSSION 2:**

**WHAT SIGNIFICANCE DOES THE FACT THAT THE RESURRECTION REALLY HAPPENED HOLD IN THE GOSPEL MESSAGE?**

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

**STUDENT DISCUSSION 3:**

**WHY IS PAUL SO CLEAR ABOUT WHO WITNESSED THE RESURRECTION?**

So that we may know that the event was substantiated and verified by many people. The more people who witnessed the resurrection, the more evidence to know it is true.

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**CONCLUDE YOUR DISCUSSION WITH:**

- » **ACTION PLAN:** *How do you plan to think and act differently?*
- » **FINAL REFLECTION:** *All of the evidence points to the resurrection as a historical event and is the heart of the gospel message.*
- » **FINAL QUESTION:** *Are you convinced of the resurrection?*