#4 – Breaking the Chain of Death
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What does the Bible say about death?

How do you break the chain of death?

Jesus accesses His resurrection power and what is impossible for you, is easy for Him.

The same power that raised Jesus from the dead can give you freedom from anything else that’s got you chained.

**Growth Group Preparation Questions**

For the week of April 21, 2019

**Happy Easter and welcome to week 3 of the spring Growth Group session.**

Are you new to FBC? Welcome! We call our small group Bible studies “Growth Groups” or “G2s” for short. We have nearly 60 groups for people of all different ages and stages of life. Most Growth Groups discuss the sermon together while some focus on other topics from the Bible. The questions below are discussion questions for the sermon-based groups.

To prepare for your Growth Group discussion, take some time (about 20-30 minutes) to go through the following Growth Group Questions (G2Qs) and be ready to share your thoughts and answers with your group. Have a great time growing in your relationship with the Lord and with others!

**Getting to know You**

1. What is your favorite Easter tradition or memory?
2. What might the world and humanity look like without the affects of sin and death?

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1. Looking back at your sermon notes for the past week, what particularly caught your attention, was new, challenging, or confusing to you?

1. As you think back over the 4 "chains" in this series (anxiety, anger, desire, death), which have you experienced the most growth or freedom from?

1. Read Romans 5:12-14a and Ephesians 2:1-3. What do these passages say about our condition before the Gospel and our salvation in Jesus?

1. Why do you think Paul wants us to contemplate our condition before Christ?

1. Read Romans 8:11, 2 Corinthians 5:21, and Ephesians 2:4-7. As you think about Jesus' suffering on the cross and how He was raised from the dead, what reactions do you have?

1. How does your understanding of sin, death and Jesus' sacrifice on the cross effect how you view and relate to those who haven't put their faith in Jesus yet?

1. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20, Ephesians 2:8-10 and 1 Peter 2:9. As an ambassador for Christ, made alive in Him, what does the "ministry of reconciliation" look like in your life?