f Like **1 Youth Ministry** Grades 7-12 **Contact Us** Living Word Ahwatukee 1 Youth Update for the week of 4/5/15 14647 S. 50th Hello Chris Street, Suite 16 Phoenix, Arizona This week we celebrated 85044 Resurrection Sunday by going back 480-584-6116 2000 years ago to see that without Links Jesus' Resurrection, the Christian Email Church may well have never been. Website We said that nobody expected Jesus **Facebook** to actually be Resurrected, not even the Disciples. Instagram **Previous Lessons** To get a better idea what happened 2000 years ago, we put ourselves alongside the Disciples and imagined that we were **Bible Verse** there. For the past few years, we have spent literally all of our time with Jesus, following Him, hearing Him teach and Matthew 6:1-4 experiencing first hand many unexpected moments and miracles. 6 "Be careful not to practice your righteousness in We then took a look at a few of the miracles and imagined front of others to be we were there. We started in Mark 4:35-40 where Jesus seen by them. If you taught that if they had true faith in the outcome, they could do, you will have no be at peace no matter what happened along the way instead reward from your of being in fear. Jesus even slept during the storm in total Father in heaven. 2 "So when you give peace with the faith they would reach their destination while to the needy, do not the Disciples expected they were going to all die. announce it with trumpets, as the We then looked at when Jesus "Feeds the Five Thousand" in hypocrites do in the John 6:5-13 where Jesus taught to have faith and believe synagogues and on without any doubt that God will provide by simply giving the streets, to be thanks for the food as if it was already done and it was done. honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their Finally, we looked at John 11:1-44 where Jesus teaches that reward in full. 3 But nothing is impossible with God and all you have to do is have when you give to faith and truly believe without putting worldly limits and the needy, do not expectations on the power of God and you will see God's let your left hand glory. know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your giving Through miracle after miracle, Jesus was preparing the may be in secret. Disciples for His last days. He even tells them step by step Then your Father,

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who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.	exactly what will happen when they arrive in Jerusalem (Matthew 20:17-19) including that on the third day he will be raised to life, yet when the time comes they were still unprepared. They still did not expect what happened.	×
Life Skills Class	When Jesus died on the cross and was placed in the tomb, the Disciples all expected that it was all over and Jesus was	×
Our Youth Life Skills class with Tom is every Wednesday	gone. Nobody expected the Resurrection and they certainly were no longer thinking of spreading Jesus' message.	X
night at 7pm for all Youth grades 7-12. Don't miss these great lessons that	On Sunday morning (the third day) when they found the tomb empty, since they expected Jesus to be dead, their natural assumption was that somebody had stolen His body (John 20).	K
you can immediately apply to your own every day life.	Even when Mary sees Jesus alive and actually talks with Him she doesn't realize that it is Jesus because her expectation is that He is dead.	X
	We said that this is important because it shows us that our expectations can actually blind us from the truth even when it is standing right in front of us. When we don't expect the miracles and the goodness of God in our lives, we will not	X
<	see them although they are all around us and even right in front of us.Of course, Jesus is able to finally convince them all that He	×
	was indeed raised from the dead just as He said He would be. Even Thomas believed but only after actually seeing, and touching, Jesus' wounds. Jesus tells them to now "Stop doubting and believe" [John 20:27]	K
	Jesus blessed all of us who have NOT seen yet still believe by our faith. We said that through the power of the Gospel and the Holy Spirit, we can all have the same faith as Jesus, live in the same peace and authority as Jesus and we can	× ×
	always expect the unexpected with God .	×
\langle	Upcoming Events	X
\leq	Due to Women's Conference, our monthly community service at Tempe CPS will be on the 4th Saturday (April 25th) We meet at LWA at 9:30am and return after lunch.	×
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