Why Easter is Important? Life Group Questions

FOR FUN: Share your best Easter memory as a child.

1. Read John 3:16, John 8:25, 27; John 10:30, John 14:6 and Mark 10:34. A 2012 Rasmussen report stated that 77% of Americans believe Jesus Christ actually lived, died, and rose from the grave. Discuss with your group what this report reveals to you. Why do you think so many willingly admit their belief in Jesus' life, death and resurrection yet struggle with the thought of Jesus being the only way of salvation?
2. Look at John 8:31-32. "the truth will set you free" is a commonly used phrase. Share with your group a truth from Jesus that has set you free?
3. Based upon Ephesians 2:10 God created people for a purpose. For what purpose(s) did God create you? (Hint: The purpose(s) should honor God, fulfill you, and help someone else at the same time.)
4. Read John 14:21, 23. Why is "having religion" not enough to fully know God? (Hint: What is the difference between "having religion" and having the "full blown version" of God?)
 5. Four "Truths that will 'Set you free'" were: God made you for a reason. (Ephesians 2:10) You can know God personally. (John 14:21, 23) You can be forgiven and start over. (John 3:17 & Colossians 2:13-14) You can go to heaven when you die. (John 17:3) Which truth is most comforting in your life right now? Why?
6. As a result of reflecting and discussing these passages, what is one thing you feel compelled to do this week?