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A New Humanity

For the week of October 19, 2025.

Life

Have you ever had to adjust to a “new reality” in life? Something that felt uncomfortable or disruptive at first but eventually brought growth?

How do you tend to handle change or transition? Do you tend to resist, or do you find it exciting?

When you think about the idea that “our scars are like thumbprints,” what memories or experiences in your life come to mind?

Theology

What does it tell us about God that the resurrected Jesus still bore his scars? Why not erase them?

Paul’s teaching implies that resurrection doesn’t replace the physical, it redeems and glorifies it. How does that challenge or affirm your understanding of heaven and the afterlife?

N.T. Wright says Christian hope is “the renewal of all things.” How is that different from simply “escaping” this world?

How does Jesus’ resurrection affirm that **creation still matters**? What does that teach us about the importance of our bodies, our work, and our world?

In Practice

How can we carry our “scars” in a way that brings healing or faith to others, like Jesus did with Thomas?

Think about the line: “**Do you see the world through the lens of resurrection?**” What might that look like in your daily rhythms; at home, work, or in community?

What’s one example of a “resurrection moment” you’ve seen recently; a place where something dead or broken came back to life?



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