

Life in the Real World
1 John 3:16-24 (MSG)

16-17 An Outward Gaze

18-22 An Inner Assurance

23-24 A Single Command

Questions to Ponder

Ask God to lead you into prayerful conversation. Feel free to engage whichever questions that speak to you and ignore the ones that don't.

What difference does the resurrection make in my life? What has "defined reality" for me?

Can I truly say that the resurrection is something I cherish? Celebrate? Live out of?

Where do I feel free to respond to God and others? Where do I feel unfree?

What do I usually do when confronted with self-criticism and discouragement?

How might I prepare myself with a strategy for the next time I'm faced with this normal occurrence?

Do I see the commands to believe in Christ and love each other as one inseparable command?

How have I experienced this connection in my life?

Where have I sensed God's invitation to open my life up more, both to God and others?

What role does the Holy Spirit play for me in living into the afterglow of Easter?