Lesson #6  Jesus is Raised from the Dead.

Opening Shot:
Jesus, the Son of the Living God, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, died on a cross in obedience to God’s will, so that we might receive forgiveness of our sins through His sacrifice. After His death, He was buried. But Jesus did not stay in the grave. On the third day, He was raised from the dead. After His resurrection He was later seen alive by many people. He will never die again. Because of His sacrifice, His death, and His resurrection, we may have eternal life.

Introduction to Bible Truths: (Optional)
Luke 24 tells of the resurrection of Jesus, of His appearances to the two on the road to Emmaus, and of His appearance later to His disciples in Jerusalem.

Ask Me No Questions/I'll Tell You No Lies:
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2.) Did Jesus have to be raised from the dead? Wasn’t it enough that He died on the cross for us?
3.) What does Jesus’ resurrection mean to Satan and his plans?

We’ve Got Questions/ God’s Got Answers:
Romans 6:3-5 Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. 5 If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.
1 Corinthians 15:16-23 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. 19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. 20 But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive, 23 But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.
1 John 3:8 He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.
Revelation 1:18 I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

Parting Shot:
The Bible tells us that God intended to send Jesus from the beginning to destroy Satan and his power over us by sin. When Jesus died on the cross He was the perfect sacrifice and died once for all of us. When He was resurrected by the power of God, He conquered death once for all of us. Now He is alive forever. By His grace we can share in His death and in His resurrection.
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