
April 2021

Big Questions And BBQ



Do you believe folks who are skeptical about God or religion would be interested in spiritual conversations? You might be surprised.

Earlier this month, twenty friends of Search Houston each brought one friend to our Spring Fireside Forum. Those forty men who attended heard a 45-minute presentation on “How to properly BBQ a Brisket” by Bill Cannon. Bill has cooked thousands of briskets and competed for over 35 years in professional BBQ cookoffs. Then each person was treated to one of Bill’s world class BBQ Brisket dinners. Lastly, each person participated in a 55-minute discussion on: “If there is an all-powerful, all-loving God, why would he allow a statewide freeze that killed dozens and brought misery to millions in Texas?”

There was no preaching, in fact there was nothing religious whatsoever. Just honest men with honest questions seeking honest answers. Many who are skeptical about religion...and maybe even doubtful that God exists, come and participate in our quarterly Fireside Forum Series. Some may come because it's held at NFL Hall of Famer Bruce Matthews' barn. Others may come to learn how to cook brisket from an expert. Some come because they are interested in our discussion topic. But the main reason is because someone that they trust invited them as their guest.

Now Bruce and I are in the process of following up with all the guests. Hopefully most of these guests will soon become friends. In time we will make ourselves available to them as they journey towards God. Some will move fast. Some painfully slow. Others will run the other way. Those that run will not do so because they were pressured. They will run because they aren't quite ready to start their journey. And that's OK with Bruce and I. Everyone moves at their own pace.

What we have discovered at Search is that all men have questions that keep them up at night...AND, they are willing to discuss these questions with a trusted friend as long as it's not preachy. At Search we are all about asking QUESTIONS, exploring ANSWERS and inviting CONVERSATIONS. Can I buy you a cup of coffee?

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March 2021

Happy Easter from Search!

Dear TSF,

For centuries, at this time of year, Christians the world over share the phrase inspired by the resurrection of Jesus:

HE IS RISEN! ... HE IS RISEN INDEED!

This year, we want to enrich your celebration of His rising with The Search Podcast featuring our VP of Field Operations Blaine Larsen and Search Dallas Staff Director Dr. Joel Housholder. They explore the evidence for Jesus' resurrection and why it is so vitally important.

Feel free to share it with friends, who may want to know more about this world-changing event.

From all of us at Search, we wish you every blessing of this most special week.

Copy and paste this link into your web browser for this months pod cast: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/979900/8231198-s2-ep-7-was-the-story-of-jesus-resurrection-borrowed-from-other-religions>