



## Discussion Guide for “The Magic Number is 8”

### *Decoder Ring Week 1*

Easter is more than a celebration of that thing (Jesus coming back to life!) that happened that one time (2,000 years ago). It's liberation - the beginning of a new reality that hides in plain sight. Jesus, the resurrected one, is the key to learning to discern this new reality. So just remember... if you want to find God hiding in plain sight, the magic number is 8.

#### **Passage for Sacred Reading:**

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. Get a [step-by-step guide here](#). The passage for this week's sacred reading is John 20.

#### **Questions for Discussion**

1. Do you like secret codes? Why or why not?
2. Put yourself in the place of the disciples on Easter morning. What would you have thought when you heard Jesus' body was missing?
3. Review John 20:1-10. Which of the three disciples do you connect with most? Why?
4. If you met Jesus in the flesh, what small details from your faith journey would cue you in that it's him?
5. What is the 8<sup>th</sup> day? What does it mean to say that Christians are 8<sup>th</sup> day people?
6. What are you looking forward to in this next season?