# **Easter & Christ's Victory Over Death**

→ Purpose: Help Christians of other denominations connect Easter to the restored gospel by building on shared beliefs.

▲ Time: ~30-45 minutes

# Scripture Focus:

- 1 Corinthians 15:22 "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."
- Luke 24:5-7 "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen."
- **John 11:25-26** "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

# Lesson Outline:

- 1 Opening Discussion: What does Easter mean to you?
  - Ask: How do you celebrate Easter in your faith tradition?
  - Emphasize that all Christians believe in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

#### The Power of the Resurrection

- Jesus' resurrection is the foundation of Christianity. Without it, our faith is in vain (1 Corinthians 15:14-19).
- The resurrection wasn't symbolic—it was literal (Luke 24:39).
- Because Christ was resurrected, we all will be (1 Corinthians 15:22).

## 3 Additional Light on the Resurrection (Gentle Introduction to the Restoration)

- Jesus taught that He has "other sheep" (John 10:16).
- After His resurrection, He ministered to His disciples, but was that the end of His ministry?
- *Introduce 3 Nephi 11:10-11*: Christ appeared to people in the Americas, fulfilling His promise that He would gather all His sheep.
- Testify that Christ is a living Savior, not a distant figure of the past.

## Invitation to Act

- Read **D&C 76:22-24** Joseph Smith's testimony of the living Christ.
- Invite them to read the Easter story in the Bible and pray to deepen their relationship with Jesus.
- Offer to share *The Living Christ* document.
- **✓ Key Takeaway:** Easter is the ultimate reminder that Jesus **lives today**, and because He lives, we will live again.