

Sermon Discussion Guide

February 9, 2025

Use this discussion guide with your small group or by yourself, to dig into the text and theme of Sunday's message.

Key Point: Jesus is life when there is trouble. Life Sharing: (answer one)

- 1. What caused fights in your family when you were a child?
- 2. How did you find comfort as a child during thunderstorms, or how did you comfort your children during storms?

Transition / Open in prayer

3. Share one thing that troubles you right now.

Life Examination:

READ John 14:1-14

- 4. What is the place Jesus is talking about in this passage?
- 5. Why do you think Thomas and Philip say what they say?

- 6. Jesus calls himself the way, the truth, and the life. How are those titles similar and how are they different?
- 7. What does verse 14 mean?

READ James 4:1-10

- 8. What does James say is at the root of all personality conflicts? Do you think this is true?
- 9. What is the caution on prayer?
- 10. Does verse 4 mean you should avoid people who are not Christians and not befriend them?
- 11. Looking at the verbs in vs. 7-10, what is James asking the Church to do so that they can be a community together?

Life Application:

- 12. What are the ways that faith in Jesus bring comfort and peace into your life, especially amid trouble?
- 13. When do we see God in our world today?
- 14. Describe a time that you asked God for something, and He responded either by giving, taking, or telling you to wait.
- 15. What are some ways to "come near to God"?

Life Prayers: Pray for one another and invite the Spirit of God to guide you to life in Jesus.