



## FATHER'S HOUSE CHURCH

### Group Discussion Handout

Sermon: Jesus Over Everything

Pastor Kevin Casey – September 28, 2025

#### Sermon Overview

Life is full of “little idols.” They may not look like golden statues, but things like phones, careers, hobbies, or even family can slowly slip into first place in our lives. The truth is simple: something will always be first in our hearts — the only question is what.

Pastor Kevin reminded us that Jesus must be the priority over everything else, because only He gives true life, purpose, and eternal hope.

#### Key Themes:

- Abiding in Christ (John 15:4–5): Without Him, we can do nothing. Remaining in Him produces lasting fruit.
- Guarding our hearts (1 John 5:21 NLT): Don't let anything take God's place in your heart.
- The Principle of First Fruits (Exodus 23:19, Proverbs 3:9–10): God requires the first and best. What we put first rules our lives.
- Evidence of Priorities: Our time, thought life, finances, and habits all reveal what truly comes first.
- Practical Application: Resetting our priorities so Jesus is Lord over everything will bring peace, fulfillment, and direction to every other part of life.

#### Discussion Questions

1. Little Idols: What are some “little idols” that can sneak into first place in your life? How can we recognize them before they take God's place?
2. Abiding in Christ: Read John 15:4–5. What does it practically look like to “abide in Christ” in your daily routine?
3. First Fruits Principle: How can you apply the principle of giving God the “first and best” in your time, energy, and finances?
4. Priorities Revealed: Statistics show Christians spend far more time on media than prayer. What does your schedule reveal about your priorities, and what steps could help put Jesus first?

5. Personal Reflection: Pastor Kevin asked, "Is Jesus first in your life?" If someone looked at your daily habits, thought life, and spending, what would they say is first? What changes might God be calling you to make?
6. Encouragement: How have you experienced blessing, peace, or joy in seasons when Jesus truly was first in your life?