

Advent, Week 1: I Am

Questions:

1. Read through the passage, John 1:1-14, with your group. What stands out to you?

2. Have you ever looked at the structure of John before? What about it was surprising to you or what was something that you didn't know? Does this change the way you read the book?

3. Pick one of the 7 "I Am" Statements as a group and read through it and discuss it.

4. How can we be encouraged by those men and women who were waiting for the First Advent as we wait for the Second Advent?

5. What can we see about God and Jesus in verses 1-4? How will this information that John has given us change the way you live and celebrate this Christmas?

Scripture:

John 1:1-14, John 20:30-31

7 SIGNS

1st Sign: Water to Wine - John 2:11 2nd Sign: Healing the Official's Son - John 4:54 3rd Sign: Healing at the Pool of Bethesda 4th Sign: Feeding the 5000 and how 5th Sign: Walking on Water 6th Sign: Healing the man born blind 7th Sign: Raising Lazarus from the Dead

7 DISCOURSES

- 1. Born from Above
- 2. Living Water
- 3. Jesus and the Father are one
- 4. True Bread
- 5. True Light
- 6. The True Shepherd
- 7. The Hour has come

7 I AM's

I am the Bread of Life (6:35,48)
I am the Light of the World (8:12)
I am the Door (10:7, 9)
I am the Good Shepherd (10:11, 14)
I am the Resurrection and the Life (11:25)
I am the Way, the Truth, & the Life (14:6)
I am the True Vine (15:1, 5)

JESUS IS GOD. JESUS IS THE ETERNAL SON, WHO HAS TAKEN ON HUMANITY. JESUS HAS COME TO GIVE US LIFE BY HIS DEATH. JESUS CAME TO GIVE US LIFE IF WE BELIEVE IN HIM.

