



COMMUNITY Groups

May 21, 2023 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

1. What was the high/low point of your week?
2. Have you ever been in a place/position where you didn't feel like you belonged?

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

1. Review the message – Feel free also to read John 14:1-4 as part of this review.
 - a. We all have longings for home, a place where our eternal longing for more is fulfilled.
 - b. The good news is that Jesus provides that home by dwelling with us through his presence.
 - c. We can dwell with God through practices like silence, rest, prayer, and reflection.
2. Was there anything that stuck out with you from the message on Sunday?
3. Read John 14:1-4
 - a. In your own words, what is the comfort Jesus is giving his disciples?
 - b. How does the translation of the word “rooms” as “dwelling places” impact the meaning of this passage?
 - c. Do you think the passage is referring to going to heaven when we die? Something else? Both?
 - d. Does this passage bring comfort to any specific areas of your life? Why/why not?

(It's important to remember that this series will highlight different aspects of the good news and that not all of these aspects will resonate with everyone. That's ok! It is the hope that people resonate with at least one unique aspect of the good news over the course of this series.)

4. Read John 14:15-24
 - a. Is there any part of this passage that is convicting or challenging to how you live your life? Why?
 - b. How does the translation of the word “home” as “dwelling place” impact the meaning of this passage?
 - c. What is the good news in this passage?
5. Additional passages you can read if you have time. The question you can ask in all of these passages is “Who are these passages good news for?” OR “What need/desire in you do these passages speak to?”
 - a. Ephesians 1:4-5
 - b. Ephesians 2:12-13
 - c. Romans 8:23

CLOSING

1. What does it mean for your everyday life that God wants to make his home with you? How can this truth be good news for you?
2. What are some ways you can practice being with God in everyday life?
 - a. Some suggestions: 5 mins of silence every morning, doing the [daily examen](#) at the end of the day, taking a day of rest where you turn off your devices, etc.
3. Take time to close the group with prayer!