GROWTH GROUPS •

REFLECT

- 1. Just for fun, what is the fanciest hotel you've ever stayed in? How about the worst?
- 2. The preaching of God's word brings comfort and conviction. How did this week's sermon comfort you? What was convicting?

ENCOUNTER

"Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me?" asked Jesus (John 14:9 CSB). The disciples spent years with Jesus and still didn't see him fully. We can do the same. We can spend years in church and fail to see the greatness of Jesus. Prepare your hearts and minds for next week's sermon by meditating on Jesus in John 14:9-31. Whether you've read these verses a hundred times or this is your first time, read to grow in your wonder of Jesus.

- 3. What questions do you have about these verses?
- 4. What surprises you, especially about who Jesus is?

5. If you had to summarize these verses for a friend, what would you say?

TRANSFORM

- 6. As we launch into our new sermon series, how can you make the most of Sunday morning gatherings?
- 7. How can we make the most of our growth group?

PRAYER REQUESTS

One More Disciple

John's point in 13:1 is that in going to the cross, Jesus did not retain something for himself, the way we tend to do when we seek to love others sacrificially. He does not love like us. We love until we are betrayed. Jesus continued to the cross despite betrayal. We love until we are forsaken. Jesus loved through forsakenness. We love up to a limit. Jesus loves to the end.

~ Dane Ortlund, Gentle and Lowly ~