

Life Group Discussion Guide "When Life Turns Upside Down" – John 13:31-14:31

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Main thought:

We can have direction and peace in all circumstances because of the work of Jesus who helps us know the Father, and by the support of the Holy Spirit.

<u>Ice-Breaker</u>

• Share your favorite all time pet.

Digging In

Read John 13:31-38 and discuss the following questions.

- Why does Jesus refer to his crucifixion as glorification and that God would be glorified in Him? Why would this have been hard for the disciples to understand at the time?
- What is "new" about the command to love one another? How does Jesus raise the standard of love in verse 34?
- How have you seen Christians showing that they're followers of Jesus by how they love one other? What impression did this leave on you and others?

Read John 14:1-14 and discuss the following questions.

- What encourages you from Jesus' words in this passage?
- What have you or others looked to and put hope in for the way to God?
- How are Jesus' words about being the way to God both clarifying and critical to understand?

Read John 14:15-31 and discuss the following questions.

- Jesus talks about the relationship between love and obedience (John 14:15). How do love and obedience intersect in our relationship with God and others?
- How does God intend to show himself to the world according to verse 23?
- How have you experienced God's direction, comfort and peace in a time when your life turned upside down?

Application

How can you apply the passage this week?

Praying as a group

How can we be praying for each other this week?