



## Sermon Discussion Guide

See Jesus, See the Father - James Junior  
March 17th, 2024

### Hook - Getting to know one another

- *How is everyone doing this week? Add other questions to get to know one another, especially ones related to the topic in the sermon.*
- Describe something you have looked upon as “The Way” to a particular outcome. This could be a set of directions, a recipe, a mentor or teacher.
  - Did you reach the outcome you were aiming for?
  - Did you ever doubt the process?

### Book - Scripture

- *Read the scripture passages and discuss to understand **what the text is saying**:*
- Today we'll read John 14: 1-11. Before reading that passage:
  - Where does this passage fit into the Gospel of John? What has happened before? What will be happening after?
  - What is the setting of this passage? Where does it take place?
- **Read John 14: 1-11** (Consider starting at John 13:33 to build slightly more context)
- What does Jesus communicate to his disciples?
- Who is there with Jesus at this moment?
  - What questions do his disciples ask? What doubts do they express?
  - How does Jesus respond to these questions?

### Look - Connections to our world today

- *This section focuses on implications about **what this text means** about what's wrong in the world, about trusting God, about who God is, etc.*
- What is the good news of this passage?



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- Jesus says "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well." (John 14: 6-7)
  - How does what Jesus expresses differ from worldviews we may encounter in our world?
  - What encourages you in this passage? What challenges you?
- Jesus states that those who really know him know the Father as well.
  - What does this show about what it means to walk with God? What responses of obedience does this call for?
- Consider how Jesus responds to the questions of the disciples.
  - What does this show about God's heart for those with questions and doubts in our world today?

#### Took - Personal Application

- *This application focuses on **how God is calling us to respond**. This could be personally, as a family, small group, or church. It could be something to believe, to meditate on, to say or do this week.*
- Are there any doubts or questions about God, or what God is like, that you have been holding?
  - How might you bring those questions to Jesus?
  - Take some time to pray together over these things?
- As James summarized in the sermon, "To know God, you have to look at Jesus. To come to God, you have to go through Jesus".
  - This week, how can you pursue knowing Jesus more?
  - This week, how can you prioritize coming to the Father through Jesus?

#### Time of Prayer