

York St Small Groups

Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 13th September 2020

Jesus - The Gospel of John: Take Heart!

John 16:32-33



These studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing.



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GETTING STARTED

Q1. Have you ever found yourself preparing for something difficult ahead - something that you knew overall was a good thing, but you had to go through it to achieve a higher goal? What was that like for you?

Q2. In these chapters (John 13 - John 16) Jesus is spending time with those HE LOVES dearly... HIS DISCIPLES - Trying to prepare them for what was to come - His death and resurrection. Why do you think Jesus spent so much time with His disciples just before His death and resurrection?

Q3. As Christians, what's our end goal? Let John 20:31 guide you.

INTO THE WORD

Read John 14

Q4. a) What is the ROLE of the HOLY SPIRIT in John 14?

b) How can we engage with the Spirit today?

How do you know when the Holy Spirit is speaking to you?

Read John 15:18-16:4

Q5. a) In John 15 why does Jesus say the world will hate you?

b) How do we “testify” in today’s world?

GOING DEEPER

Q6. Create a list of difficulties that you think we face as Christians. What are some ways we can prepare ourselves for these difficulties? Use Jesus' teachings to His disciples in Chapters 13-17 to guide your thoughts.

Q7. It has been said that the book of Matthew was written for Jews, Mark for Romans, Luke for Greeks, but John is calling the "world" to believe. What do you think would help our WORLD believe today?

Pray

In John 17 Jesus prays for himself, for his followers, and for anyone who believes the message He brings. Consider how to pray for yourself in light of this message, and the difficulties you face as a believer - take time to lay these burdens before the Lord in prayer.