

Dig Deeper @Home – “Alive and Ascended”

Complement to lesson on 4/13/2025 – “A King Worthy”

ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. If you could understand the language of one species of animals, which would you pick?
2. What did the Lord say to you yesterday and did you obey what he said?

MEMORIZE – 1 Thessalonians 5: 9-11

For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

READ – John 12

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit draw your attention to as you read?
 - b. Is anything repeated? Contrasted? Compared? (If so... why might that be?)
 - c. What in these verses is interesting? What is confusing?
 - d. What are the verses revealing about God? What are the verses saying about people?
 - e. In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. Read again verses 37-50
 - a. Though they witnessed the signs, the people did not believe. What kept them from believing? What keeps you from fully believing?
3. What do you notice about the relationship between Jesus and the Father in chapter 12?
 - a. How would you describe your relationship with the Father? With Jesus? With the Holy Spirit?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – Hearing before speaking

“I have not spoken on My own, but the Father who sent Me has commanded Me what to say and how to say it. And I know that His command leads to eternal life. So I speak exactly what the Father has told me to say” (John 13: 49-50)

Put these words into practice this week by praying and asking the Father for what He wants you to say and how He wants you to say it before entering any building or engaging in any conversation. Why? To speak His words of life in all situations. Seek the Father in as many situations and scenarios as possible this week. Reflect each day on what this is like. And if you don't hear anything, keep doing it anyway. Seek the Father. Invite Him to speak. He has promised that those who seek Him will find Him.

SING (or listen to)

O Praise the Name - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqBpifDpNKc>

Holy Forever - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lkHgxCemCRk>

Echo Holy - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OjDkHUj7o0A>

Can't Steal my Joy - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8Bu6DRZh6U>

Because He Lives (hymn) - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ukg2YRIsHWA>

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us, for this week.

Sending prayer based on the message:

Father, reveal your words to us as we go that we may share your words ... words of life ... with others where we live, work, study, worship and play.