

Discussion Guide

Series: The Promise Wk 1: Promise of Life with the Father

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Big Idea

There is an invitation for you to be a part of what God is doing, here & now, building His Kingdom.



Icebreaker

Is there a brand, store, or restaurant that you trust? What is it & why do you trust it?



Discussion Questions

1. Brainstorm some things that build trust between people. Which item builds your trust the most & why? Now brainstorm some things that take away trust between people. Which item takes away your trust the most & why? Brainstorm similar lists regarding one's trust in God and discuss.
2. Considering one's lack of trust in God or the church as the result of pain and/or anger they have experienced, what is our best approach to help them heal & move forward past that? Can we talk someone out of their pain or anger? Share a personal (you or someone you know) experience of losing trust in God unfairly as the result of something the church did or did not do. What can you do in such a situation?
3. Read John 14:1-3 (NLT). What promises can you identify from Jesus in this reading? Why does He make these promises? What do these promises mean to you, or how do they make you feel & why? What is something you are feeling led to do in response to them?
4. One of our Revive Wesleyan Values is Hospitality. We say it this way: "*We welcome anyone into our church, homes, and hearts.*" All our Values are such, because we see them as things Jesus did and has modeled for us. How does John 14:1-3 support our Value of Hospitality? How could you follow Jesus in this Value more fully this week?
5. Read John 14:4-6 (NLT). What promise can you identify from Jesus in this reading? Why does He make this promise? What does this promise mean to you, or how does it make you feel? What is something you are feeling led to do in response to this promise?
6. Read John 14:8-11 (NLT). What promise can you identify from Jesus in this reading? Why does He make this promise? What does this promise mean to you, or how does it make you feel? What is something you are feeling led to do in response to this promise?
7. Read John 14:12-13 (NLT). What promise can you identify from Jesus in this reading? Why does He make this promise? What does this promise mean to you, or how does it make you feel? What is something you are feeling led to do in response to this promise?



Concluding Questions

Read Hebrews 1:1-3a (ending with "...by his powerful word.") As a church we try and equip you to engage with His powerful word by providing you with Daily Reading Plans for each Sermon Series. Share a Scripture from this past week's Daily Reading Plan that impacted you & why.



Prayer

Pray as we continue together through the season of Lent & our sermon series: "The Promise" that all will experience powerful and undeniable moments of relationship with God the Father through Christ, as led by the Spirit.