

THE HOME SHEET

CHECK IN

Reflect on last week's challenge:

Practice a new prayer: For one week, begin your prayers with "Lord, what would you teach me?" instead of immediately presenting requests

TOPIC NOT A PATH, A PERSON

COMING UP

5/17 Ministry Celebration
5 PM | Mid City Ballroom

**5/18-5/22 Final Week
of Small Groups**

5/22 Small Group Celebration
7 PM | Gail's Fine Ice Cream

CHALLENGE

Picture Jesus with you: Like Doris with her card, find a way to remind yourself daily that Jesus is present with you. This could be an image, a verse on your phone, or a simple prayer: "Jesus, you are here with me."

CLOSE OUT YOUR MEETING WITH PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAYER

SCRIPTURE:

JOHN 14:1-14

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

DISCUSSION

Jesus tells Thomas 'I am the way' rather than giving him directions. How does understanding Christianity as a relationship rather than a technique change the way you approach your spiritual life?

Philip asks Jesus to show him the Father even after witnessing countless miracles. What does this tell us about the difference between seeking proof and cultivating trust in God?

The sermon emphasizes that our salvation depends on Jesus' actions, not our own performance. How does this truth free you to live differently in your daily life?

Doris needed a tangible image of Jesus to help her face death with less fear. What practices, images, or reminders help you hold onto Jesus during your own troubled times?