

The "I AM's" of Jesus

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the foundation and hope for the Christian faith. We have hope in his Resurrection because of the restoration that is coming to us in our resurrection. The resurrection begins in us through the Spirit as a guarantee of what is to come (2 Cor. 1:22; 5:5). The Christian walk is a journey in the resurrection from where God found us towards who God has called us to be in Christ's Image (2 Cor. 3:17-18).

The Gospel of John invites us to walk with Jesus so we can see the Father (John 14:9). When we love one another in the way Christ loves, the world will know we are followers of Christ (John 13:35). The walk of the Christ follower is the walk of ever-increasing love.

The next six weeks will guide us through the seven "I AM" statements of Jesus in John's Gospel. In seeing what Jesus says about himself, we will see better who we are called to be in Christ.

Set aside time to reflect on Jesus' "I AM" statements each week. Ask God in prayer to reveal to you what needs to change in your life to be more like Christ as his follower.



General questions for reflection on these texts:

- Where does this passage give me comfort and peace?
 - If I believe Jesus is who he says he is, what needs to change about my life right now?
 - How does my relationship with others change (In the world and the church)?
 - How does this passage challenge my allegiances to power and security in this world?
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April 11 - I AM the Bread of Life

Scripture - John 6:22-59

Dwelling in the Word - John 6:31-39

April 18 - I AM the Light of the World

Scripture - John 8:12-30

Dwelling in the Word - John 8:31-38

April 25 - I AM the Gate for the Sheep...I AM the Good Shepherd

Scripture - John 10:1-21

Dwelling in the Word - John 10:22-30

May 2 - I AM the Resurrection and the Life

Scripture - John 11:17-44

Dwelling in the Word - John 20:11-18

May 9 - I AM the Way, Truth, and Life

Scripture - John 14:1-19

Dwelling in the Word - John 14:12-21

May 16 - I AM the True Vine

Scripture - John 15:1-17

Dwelling in the Word - John 15:1-11