

Student MC Guide

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The Way of Jesus

JOHN 15:12-17

Passage

Background info about the author, audience, style, etc. that may be of help.

- John 15:1-11 teaches us to Abide. Verses 9-10 highlight the connection between love and obedience.
- John 15:18-25 warns of a difficult time where the disciples will not be loved by the world.

Other passages in Scripture with similar themes or principles:

These are passages that could be helpful to draw from for further informing today's text.

- John 13:34-35; 1 John 3:11-20 (New commandment: Love)
- Romans 5:7-8 (Lay down your life for your friends)
- Romans 12:1 (Living sacrifice)
- Ephesians 1:3-6; Romans 8:28-30 (Chosen)

Fellowship

Take time to fellowship with each other.

Ask each other how last week's passage affected your life.

- How did you keep Jesus' commandments this week?
- What fruit was born in or through you this week?

Truths & Promises

Discuss the following questions

What do we learn about God from this text?

Have members input what the Holy Spirit has revealed to them about who God is from this text.

- God is our Master. Even though He gives us the designation of friend, we still serve Him.
- God commands us.
- God is the ultimate expression of love, giving His life for His friends.
- God chose and appointed us.
- It is in the name of Jesus that we ought to pray.

What do we learn about man from this text?

Have members input what the Holy Spirit has revealed to them about who man is from this text.

- Love one another as Jesus loved His disciples.
- We should do what we are commanded to do.
- We are chosen and appointed, so that we will bear fruit.

Adjustments & Assignments

Now that a good understanding of who God is and how He relates to man has been established from this passage, how does this impact our lives? What are specific things that each member needs to apply in their life this week? Ask each other how last week's passage affected your life.

What is there that we can obey from this text?

- Love one another
- Bear fruit
- Pray

Are there commands that still apply to disciples today? If so, what?

- Yes. All of these apply to disciples today.

What applications directly from the passage can be applied this week? There may be things that the Holy Spirit is leading us to obey that are not directly from the text, share those as well.

- Set aside time for focused prayer together as a household.
- Choose a verse or passage of scripture to start memorizing.

Be sure to take time to discuss how you can support and encourage each other in the things God is calling you to apply throughout the week.

- Ask the question: "How can we help you with that?"



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- Is there something you should entrust with God?

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Care & Encouragement

Take time to pray together as a Missional Community incorporating the passage into your corporate prayer.

Adore God for who He is:

- He is our Master
- He is our Friend

Confess the ways that you have not been faithful to God:

- Not loving others
- Laziness

Thank God for what He has done:

- God has chosen me
- God has befriended me
- God died for me

Supplication - Pray for those in your MC and outside of your MC:

- Kingdom: That we would bear much fruit
- Others: To love others as Christ loved me
- Self: To seek God’s heart so well that I know what He is doing

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