

Mirror / Mirror – Moments of Reflection

‘Question to Question’

John 14:1-6, 20:24-29
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions are intended to use in discussion and application of the past week’s sermon.

Listening

What part of the sermon was most helpful to you or challenged you to think and/or live differently? How will you apply this message to your life?

Engaging

The whole context behind John 14 starts back in John 13. As the last week of Jesus’s life, everything accounted for over these two chapters is hyper-intentional. Take some time as a group to read John 13:1 through 14:6 (although the literary momentum continues well past that into chapter 15, as Jesus and his disciples head to the Garden of Gethsemane). Discuss the great distance between what Jesus knows is coming and the disciples’ expectations. How often our understanding of the ways of God is unclear as we’re in the moments and more clear in retrospect!

Applying

Thomas spent a week hearing of secondhand accounts of the risen Jesus well before he experienced it himself. What aspects of faith (persecution, spiritual warfare, generosity, sharing of faith, etc.) are ‘secondhand’ in nature when it comes to your faith? How might God ‘stretch your imagination’ towards understanding and perhaps even engaging in these things firsthand?

Discuss common barriers people have from believing the Gospel and the expressed will of God (in the Bible). What are the sorts of things that God extends to people to get beyond these barriers?

Praying

Please continue praying for the people impacted by the war in Ukraine.

In light of this message and discussion:
How can we pray for each other?
Where do you feel challenged or convicted?
What can we praise God for?
How can we pray for our church?



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