



STUDY GUIDE

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[set up]

We live in a world of log-ins, passwords, access cards, and keys. Why do we find comfort in having exclusive access to things we value?

Why do people struggle with the concept of God providing an exclusive way to Him?

[digging deeper]

Read John 14:1-6

What does Jesus mean when He says He is the way? The truth? The life?

When it comes to truth, how is Jesus' definition of truth different than the world's? Read these verses that also speak to God's truth and summarize them in a sentence or less.

Psalm 119:160 _____

Matthew 22:16 _____

John 1:14 _____

John 1:17 _____

John 8:45-47 _____

Romans 1:18 _____

Ephesians 4:21 _____

Read through the following article and highlight insights that help with trying to proclaim the truth of Christ in a world that is being declared as a “post-truth” era. Share what stood out to you in your LifeGroup.

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/why-oxford-dictionary-2016-word-of-the-year-matters>

Many Christians are familiar with the words in John 14:6, but not always the context in which Jesus spoke them. What was going on when Jesus made this stunning “I Am” claim? What was the emotional state of His disciples? How did the words of Jesus bring hope to them? How can those same words bring hope to us?

What are a few examples of poor responses to someone who believes there are multiple ways to God or that truth is relative? What are some examples of good responses?

[living it out]

What will you do this week (and hopefully beyond) to live differently—rooted in the belief that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life?

Who do you know in your neighborhood, work place, school, or circle of relationships that needs to know and believe in Christ as the way, truth, and life? Pray for them and invite them to the Easter service and the “Pursuit of Purpose” series coming up (Invite cards are available in the foyer at CVC, and a social media invite can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/cvconline.org/>)

Pray for God to help you stay anchored in the truth of Christ, and pray for those you are inviting to Easter and into spiritual discussions.