

From the message on March 3

Jesus, is the I AM. What on Earth are we looking for?

Text John 14:6

From the Message

There are followers who, like Judas, wish Jesus were more obviously impressive. His lack of appeal is unsettling. But, like Judas, Jesus sees our story developing long before we do. He names things that we would prefer to hide.

There are believers today who, like Peter, fear losing more than they trust Christ's identity. But Jesus sees the ways we try to prove our worth to ourselves. And Jesus asks us to take our eyes off ourselves and place them on himself.

There are others who are quite willing to mock the very name of Jesus Christ, because they think he's long-lost and they've clearly won. But Jesus continues to pray, "Father, forgive them, because they don't know what they are doing." For Jesus remains unique - he described himself as "I am" several times - whether we like it, or get it, or not.

Opening Interaction

In your family or among your friends, what's the most interesting given name you can think of?

Read the passage and Discuss

Read John 13:2, 13:21-30, and 18:1-11

In what ways are we like Judas, and in what way is Judas unique?

How is Jesus the same for both Judas and us?

Read John 13:36-38, 18:10-11, 18:17-18, 18:25-27 and Luke 22:61

In what ways are we like Peter, and in what way is Peter unique?

How is Jesus the same for both Peter and us?

Read John 19:1-3

In what ways are we like the soldiers, and in what ways are the soldiers unique?

How is Jesus the same for both the soldiers and us?

What is it about Jesus' person - his identity - that we need to understand from these interactions?

Encourage Each Other Through Prayer

1. Pray for not-yet believers. It's a big change for anyone to come to believe in Jesus! Even though we get more through faith than we give up through conversion, it's still a hard choice to make. Pray for the whole process of hearing, believing, confessing, and growing.
2. Pray for families at Calvary. Children, parents, and grandparents are intended to be a blessing!
3. Pray our 4 active employment searches (Lead Pastor, Student Ministry Director, Special Needs Ministry Coordinator, and Adult Ministries Administrative Assistant), that God will fill each in His time!

Information, if you need it:

Lead Pastor Search Updates can be found at calvary.church/leadpastorsearch

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