

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Introduction:

What do you think it means to follow Jesus? What outside forces have influenced the way you practice your faith? We are all formed and informed by a variety of sources and these sources daily shape who we are and who we are becoming. In this series, we will seek *Clarity* on what it looks like to allow Jesus to change us from the inside out and the tangible proof that a transformation like that produces.

Scripture:

Matthew 7:13-14 - "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

John 14:6-7 - "Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

For More, Read & Discuss John 14:5-14

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Who do you look to as an example in different areas of your life? In your job? Your parenting? Your relationships? How you spend your money?
- 2. If you have looked to Jesus as an example, which of his character traits do you most wish you embodied?
- 3. What do you tend to arrange your life around?
- 4. Jesus has a way of being very narrow & focused in his devotion to God's truth while being very broad & inclusive in his relationships. What must his mindset be to be able to accomplish that balance?
 - Where do you struggle to strike that same balance?

Take the Next Step:

Jesus never preaches tolerance. Tolerance doesn't further the Gospel. Where do you need to move beyond tolerance? Where do you need to actually engage? Where can you quit taking a stand and start making a difference?