LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE WHAT IF I HALLOWED JESUS NAME?

John 14:1-11

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In this past Sunday's sermon we learned that Jesus' name is an indication of His nature, character, reputation, and identity. Though God's ways and thoughts are not our ways and thoughts, He has revealed Himself to us in a manner and way that we can understand. God's revelation of Himself is Jesus. Because the Bible teaches us that Jesus is God, we can know everything we need to know about God by looking to Jesus.

MEMORY VERSES

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me." John 14:1 (NIV)

DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Last week's take home exercise was to be conscious of times when you properly
 represented God's nature, character, reputation and identity throughout the week and to
 journal about it. Take some time now to share your experiences.
- What are the first words that come to mind when you think about God right now? Why?
- What about Jesus? Do any different words come to mind when you think of Him?

STUDY QUESTIONS

The belief in the divinity of Jesus is incredibly important in Christianity. It's what separates the Leader of our faith from all other religions.

→ READ JOHN 14:1-11

- What does Jesus mean in referring to Himself as the Way? Truth? Life?
- What do you think Jesus meant by the phrase, "I am in the Father and the Father is in Me"?



- What evidence do we have that Jesus' words are true?
- Why does the fact that Jesus is God matter? Why is it essential that someone believe in Jesus' divinity in order to be a Christian?
- What would some of the implications be if Jesus were not fully God? Would His name still be considered holy?
- Bonus Question: How would you explain the Trinity to someone from another faith?

Further study on the divinity of Jesus:

John 1:1-3, 14; Isaiah 9:6; John 10:30-33; Rev 1:8, 22:13 & 16

WRAP IT UP

• As you close in prayer, thank God for coming down to our level in the person of Jesus Christ. Confess that Jesus is God, and ask Him to help you worship Him in the manner He deserves.

TAKE IT HOME!

- Throughout this next week, reflect on the names of Jesus (Immanuel, Yeshua, The Messiah, etc.) and think about what they mean. Praise the name of Jesus and allow your prayers to acknowledge His holiness.
- This week continue to spend 15 minutes in prayer each day, praying through the AWCIPA prayer model.

