

Jesus is... I am...

Community Group Leaders Guide

John 1:19-27 /// Week of April 23

Today's big idea: Jesus is the word. I am who he says I am.

**You might also include who they would NOT want to have play them.**

- If there were going to be a movie about your life who would you want to play you in the movie and why?
- Review the Community Group Guidelines together.
- Someone pray that God would help us hear from him.

Head

- Use the Bible Storytelling technique to tell the story of John the Baptist being questioned about the Messiah.
- Retell the story together as a group.
- Read the story from John 1:19-27 in the Bible.
- What were all the different ways that John described himself—both who he was and who he wasn't?
- How did John describe Jesus in his answers to the Pharisees?

Heart

**This section will be most challenging for your group members to be authentic and vulnerable. Plan ahead to model for them what this looks like.**

- How would you describe yourself to others? What do you think about when you think about yourself?
- Who or what from your past has influenced your self-image most?
- What has helped you the most to work through negative self-image, negative self-esteem, and poor mental health?

Hands

**Help people get specific in their responses here by using "I" statements.**

- How can we be more effective in thinking of ourselves through our connection to Jesus?
- Think about one person you know who struggles to see themselves through the eyes of Jesus. What will you say and do this week to encourage that person?
- Pray for one another and for opportunities to lead others as we follow Christ.



## Community Group Covenants - [hfcog.org](http://hfcog.org)

### **Community Group Member Covenant**

- I will make attendance a priority in my schedule and involvement a priority in my participation.
- I will build trust by holding in confidence those things shared in the Community Group.
- I will engage with a disciple maker—someone that will help me grow as a disciple of Jesus and teach me how to be a disciple maker as well.

### **Community Group Apprentice Covenant**

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple someone in the Community Group beyond group meetings focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Leader each week and meet monthly beyond group meetings.

### **Community Group Leader Covenant**

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple someone in or out of the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple an apprentice focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, leadership skills they are developing in the group meeting and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Coach each week and meet monthly.

### **Community Group Coach Covenant**

- I will pray for my assigned Community Group Leaders daily.
- I will relationally disciple someone.
- I will call my assigned Community Group Leaders each week focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, process group time and their progress with their apprentice.
- I will meet with my assigned Community Group Leaders each month.
- I will talk with my Community Group Pastor every other week and meet together each month.