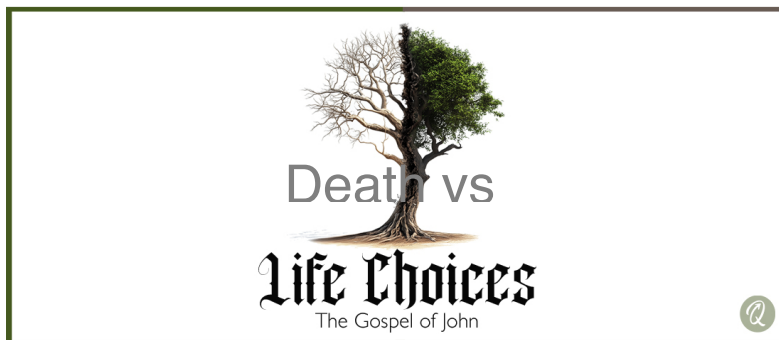




"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10:10

- Jesus came to be the **source** of your life.

You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! Yet you refuse to come to me to receive this life. John 5:39-40

- Who Jesus is to you reveals what you're looking to **receive** from Jesus.

Jesus crossed over to the far side of the Sea of Galilee, also known as the Sea of Tiberias. 2 A huge crowd kept following him wherever he went, because they saw his miraculous signs as he healed the sick.

John 6:1-2

3 Then Jesus climbed a hill and sat down with his disciples around him. ...5 Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for him. Turning to Philip, he asked, "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?"

6 He was testing Philip, for he already knew what he was going to do. John 6:1-6

Deeper faith happens when we:

- Turn to Jesus in the **challenges** of life.

7 Philip replied, "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't have enough money to feed them!" John 6:7

When we face challenges:

We tend to focus on what we **don't have**.

8 We think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in the province of Asia. We were crushed and overwhelmed beyond our ability to endure, and we thought we would never live through it. 9 In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely only on God, who raises the dead. 2 Corinthians 1:8-9

We **downplay** what we already have.

8 Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. 9 "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?" John 6:8-9

10 "Tell everyone to sit down," Jesus said. So they all sat down on the grassy slopes. (The men alone numbered about 5,000.) 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted. 12 After everyone was full, Jesus told his disciples, "Now gather the leftovers, so that nothing is wasted." 13 So they picked up the pieces and filled twelve baskets with scraps left by the people who had eaten from the five barley loaves. John 6:10-13

Deeper faith happens in us when we:

- Turn to Jesus in your **fears**.

20 but he called out to them, "Don't be afraid. I am here" 21 Then they were eager to let him in the boat, and immediately they arrived at their destination! John 6:20-21

"When I am afraid, I put my trust in You." Psalm 56:3

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me." Psalm 23:4

10 Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand. Isaiah 41:10 (NLT)

5 ...Since God assured us, "I'll never let you down, never walk off and leave you," 6 we can boldly quote, God is there, ready to help; I'm fearless no matter what. Who or what can get to me? Hebrews 13:5-6 (MSG)

Faith increases when we **focus** on Jesus rather than our **fears**.

"It is I; do not be afraid." John 6:20

"I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD..."

Psalm 121:1-2

Action Steps:

What is overwhelming you that you need to **include** God in?

What are you minimizing that you need to **surrender** to God?

What is the fear that you need Jesus to **speak to**?

Addition Notes:



**TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE
IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.**

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

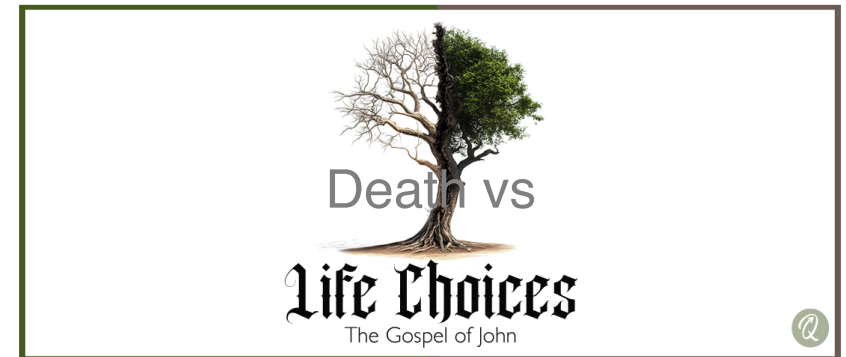
- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain.
- What does it mean to you that Jesus wants to be your source of life? How would you define that?
- When we say "Jesus is all I need", what are we really saying?
- What do you look to Jesus to receive? (Is it just spiritual needs?)
- Do you turn to Jesus when you are overwhelmed with life? How do you turn to Jesus in the challenges of life?
- Like Philip, do you tend to focus on what you don't have rather than what you do have? Like Andrew, Do you tend to downplay (minimize) what you already have?
- How does turning to Jesus in our fears grow our faith?
- How do we focus on Jesus in our times of fear?

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