

THE JESUS LIE



MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS

The Jesus Lie- Week 4

We've been told a lot of things about Jesus. How do we filter fact from fiction? What if he's not who we thought he was? In these days of uncertainty and confusion, we could all use some solid ground. Let's get to know the real Jesus—because nobody likes being lied to.

Conversation Starter: Pick one of the questions below to get started-

- Would you rather go a year without a haircut or a year without eating out?
- What makes you feel accomplished during this season?

Discussion Questions:

Question 1: Describe a time you felt unqualified or out of your league?

Question 2: Why do you think people subscribe to the belief that we have to clean up our act before Jesus could accept us?

Question 3: In your own religious experience, how have you struggled with performance anxiety?

- **Read John 9:1-13**

Question 4: Jesus seeks out the blind man and heals him without being solicited. How can this encounter dispel the myth that we've got to perform our way into God's grace?

Question 5: Once the man began to see, people demanded to know how it had happened. What was the man's response? If you're a life changed by Christ, describe what change Jesus has brought about in your story.

Question 6: You will experience setbacks in your journey. How does knowing that Jesus is *for* you change your response to those times when you'll trip up?

Next Steps:

- **Trust Jesus-** If you're ready to trust Jesus with your current reality and with your eternity, don't put it off. Check out lbcchurch.com/trust-jesus to learn how to begin a friendship with God.
- **Cast Your Cares-** In this season filled with anxieties, fear and exhaustion, let Jesus carry the weight of your burdens since He actively and passionately cares for you!
- **Demonstrate God's Love-** If you follow Jesus, let's represent him clearly to a world that is hungry for love and acceptance. Look for ways to help show others that God is *for* them this week.

Prayer:

Jesus, thank you for *not* making us perform our way into a relationship with you. Thank you for being a God who pursues, even when we were dead in our sins. Help us to live in freedom, knowing that you are for us and want us to experience a rich and satisfying life. When we stumble, help us to have wisdom and courage to take that next step with you. Amen.