

THE JESUS LIE



MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS

The Jesus Lie- Week 5

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-

- Share an embarrassing moment that's funny in hindsight.
- Would you rather accidentally wave at someone who is waving to the person behind you or say I love you to your waiter?

Discussion Questions:

Question 1: What's one moment you wish you could redo from this past week?

Question 2: When you think of "guilt," what words or images come to mind?

Question 3: One of the most common misconceptions about Jesus is that he's continuously disappointed in us. How can this way of thinking shape the way we approach God?

- **Read Luke 15:11-24**

Question 4: What is something that struck you about this story that Jesus told?

Question 5: How do you approach God with an "I'm sorry speech," like the son prepared for his father? According to Jesus, what is God's posture to us in those moments?

Question 6: God's not disappointed in you: He is delighted with you. How can reminding yourself of this truth this week increase your desire to run to your Heavenly Father?

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 being a God who extends grace rather than holding grudges. Please help us to see your love for us clearly so that in the moments where we fall short, we won't run away from you but run into your arms. Thank you for delighting in us. May your love transform the way we think and live this week. Amen.