

THE JESUS LIE



MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS

The Jesus Lie- Week 7

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-

- What internet video or meme made you laugh out loud recently?
- Share a contraption or life-hack that makes your life easier.

Discussion Questions:

Question 1: What is one circumstance that you would erase from this past week if you had the opportunity?

Question 2: How have you brought into the belief that following Jesus will make your life easier? What's the trouble with this Jesus lie?

Question 3: In what ways do you approach God with an "if, then" mindset?

- **Read James 1:1-4**

Question 4: What is the difference between joy and happiness? How can you set the thermostat of Joy in your heart despite the circumstances that surround us?

Question 5: In addition to your faith being exercised and strengthened, what other positive outcomes might result from your current trial(s)?

Question 6: - Simply experiencing trials doesn't grow our faith. How can we intentionally let hardships do their work in our lives and our faith to shape us into people who are more mature in Christ?

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!
- **Pray-** Pray that we would continue to be effective in our mission of introducing people to Him and, together, fully following him! Ask God to use this disruption to strengthen all churches!

Prayer:

Jesus, thank you for not wasting the troubles and trials of our lives. Please help us not to shortcut the pain in our path but to push through to grow up and grow closer to you. Please give us an accurate picture of who you are and what you came to do to live in light of that truth. Amen.