



The Most Important Things – John 14:15-31

Small Group Questions for week of September 13, 2026

Icebreaker: If you could hire a famous person to be your personal advocate for a day, who would you choose and why?

Read John 14:15-31 together.

1. Jesus connects love for Him with obedience (vv. 15, 21, 23–24). What do you think He means by this, and how is obedience an expression of love rather than simply following rules?
2. Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit as an “Advocate” or “Helper” (vv. 16–17, 26). What stands out to you about the way Jesus describes the Spirit’s role in our lives?
3. Jesus says, “I will not leave you as orphans” (v. 18). What do you think this promise would have meant to the disciples in that moment?

How might it speak to us today?
4. In verses 27–28, Jesus says, “Peace I leave with you.” What kind of peace do you think Jesus is offering, and how is it different from the peace the world offers?
5. Jesus repeatedly emphasizes His relationship with the Father (vv. 20, 28–31). What does this passage reveal about Jesus’ relationship with the Father and His purpose in coming?
6. Looking at the whole passage, where do you most need to trust Jesus right now: in loving and obeying Him, relying on the Holy Spirit, knowing you’re not alone, or receiving His peace? Why?

Closing Challenge: This week, choose one area of your life where Jesus is asking you to trust Him and respond in obedience. Before you act, pause and ask the Holy Spirit- your Advocate and Helper- to guide you, and then choose to walk forward in Jesus’ peace rather than fear or anxiety.

“This week, I believe Jesus is asking me to _____, and I’m going to trust the Holy Spirit to help me _____.”

Optional Closing Prayer: *“Jesus, thank You for loving us so deeply and for promising that we will never have to walk through life alone; thank You for giving us Your Spirit to comfort us, advocate for us, and remind us that You are near. Help us love You not just with our words, but with our lives, and give us the courage to trust You with the things that weigh most heavily on our hearts. As we leave here, fill us with Your peace, help us hear Your voice in the days ahead, and remind us that no matter what we face, You are with us.”*