

Retreat: A Deeper View of Jesus

“He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.” 1 John 2:6

This is a time to IMMERSE ourselves in Jesus. If we are to walk like Him, if we are to walk In His Steps as 1 Peter 2:21 tells us, we need to KNOW Him.

1 John 2:12-14

I am writing to you, dear **children**, because your sins have been forgiven on account of his name.

I am writing to you, **fathers**, because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, **young men**, because you have overcome the evil one.

I write to you, dear **children**, because you know the Father.

I write to you, **fathers**, because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, **young men**, because you are strong, and the word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

Session 1 - Prayer/Praise Time

Spend time in prayer and praise, focusing on praising Jesus for His love, His faithfulness, His goodness, His overflow of blessings. Worship with songs related to His great love.

Session 1 – The Character of Jesus Meditation in the Word

Read through these passages. Meditate on the character of Jesus. Ask the Lord to reveal to you deeper insights into the character of Jesus. Ask for insight into YOUR character flaws that need to change.

Mark 2:16-17

Luke 23:22

Mark 3:1-5

Luke 23:41

Mark 10:32-45

Luke 23:47

Matthew 9:36-38

John 1:14-18

Matt 11:25-12:21

John 5:19-20

Luke 5:16

John 5:30

Luke 7:36-50

John 8:1-11

Luke 9:43-56

John 8:28-30

Luke 13:10-17

John 10:7-18

Luke 18:15-17

John 12:27-30

Luke 22:24-27

John 13:1-17

Luke 23:4

John 18:1-11

Luke 23:14

John 21:15-17

Session 2 - Prayer/Praise Time

Spent time in prayer and praise in what you've learned of the nature and character of Jesus.

Worship with songs about His eternal nature, His unfailing mercy, His sacrificial lovingkindness.

Session 2 The Wisdom of Jesus – Meditation in the Word

Read through these passages. Meditate on the wisdom of Jesus. Ask the Lord to reveal to you deeper insights into the wisdom of Jesus. James 1:5 tells us to ask for

wisdom when we lack it. How does seeing into the wisdom of Jesus expand your understanding of what God desires to give to us?

Mark 1:21-22

John 2:23-25

Mark 6:2-3

John 3:9-13

Matthew 7:28-29

John 4:39-42

Mark 7:37

John 6:60-69

Luke 2:46-47

John 7:45-46

Luke 10:21-24

John 16:12-15

Luke 11:31

Matt 13:10-23, 34-35

Luke 19:48

Luke 4:15-37

Luke 20:26

John 7:1-10

Luke 20:39-40

Luke 24:45

Session 3 – Prayer/Praise Time

Spent time in prayer and praise over the wisdom of Jesus that He gives to us. That He blesses us with His wisdom and depth of understanding; that His heart is now implanted in us; that He tells us that when 2 or more are gathered in His name, He is right there in the midst of them.

Worship with songs of glory and joy and power and blessing.

Session 3 – The Power of Jesus – Meditation in the Word

Read through these passages. Meditate on the power of Jesus. How does understanding the depth of the power Jesus had in His life affect how you are to be living your life? How does it affect your ministry, your marriage, your parenting, your friendships, your worship?

Matthew 9:32-35

Matt 17:14-21

Matt 8:1-17

Matt 9:1-8

Luke 7:2-10

Luke 5:4-8

Luke 8:22-25

John 9:24-38

John 11

Close in Prayer and Praise

Spend time in praise over the fullness of Jesus that dwells within us; in how He has given us His Spirit and how His mind and heart are also a part of us as we are transformed into His very image. And that His power is given to us in authority and dominion.