

Key Objective:

1. Communicate to elizabeth.hitch@2rc.tv who is an active member of your group and she will adjust your roster in Realm removing folks who have left your group and adding folks who have joined your group.

My Story

Get acquainted by responding briefly to the questions below.

- *Describe a favorite fall memory or tradition.*
- *Where did you sense God working in or around you this week?*

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What caught your attention from John 14:15-31 or the weekend message?
2. John 14:15-31. Describe examples of your obedience that pleased Jesus.
3. Compare & contrast the difference in your life between obeying or disobeying Jesus.
4. What challenge do Hebrews 3:7-8; Matthew 21:28-32 invoke? Where have you disconnected love from obedience?
5. John 14:21 – what is it like when in the midst of your obedience Jesus loves you and ‘manifests’ himself to you?
6. Imagine you are at the water cooler @ work and someone asks what is the Holy Spirit? What does he do? Give me some examples from your life?
7. What’s the difference between obeying Jesus out of the Spirit’s power and love, compared to duty?
8. John 14:27. How have you experienced Jesus peace? Where do you need it now?

Next Steps / Living It Out

Interact with the following questions, and then spend some time praying for each other either in big group or break into smaller groups (guys and gals or groups of 3).

- Where have you sensed God working in or around your life?*
- What is God speaking to you as a result of this message & group time?*
- How will you say yes to obey? How can the group pray for you?*

SERMON SUMMARY...
Connected: The Art of Staying
The Art of Empowered Obedience
John 14:15-31

Big Idea: The empowering presence of Jesus is displayed by what I do.

1. My love for Jesus is connected to doing what he says. (v. 15, 21-24)
2. The Spirit is how I experience the presence of Jesus. (v. 16-7)
3. Obedience is based in love and empowered by the Holy Spirit. (v. 25-31)

Next steps:

- When have I “experienced” Jesus in the past?
- Where have I disconnected love from obedience?
- How can I move to acting out of my love for Jesus?