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**Day 1: What It Takes**

Review the video for this session.



**Engage**

Read [Matthew 25:31–46](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Mt25.31-46).

**Consider**

Preparation and responsibility are key to waiting for the return of Jesus Christ. Are we going to use the gifts and talents that God gave us to point people to Him? Or will we squander our time on earth and find ourself on the Day of Judgment being a goat instead of a sheep?

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| **QUESTION**  How would you describe those who are sheep and those who are goats? |

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| **QUESTION**  Why is Jesus so concerned about helping those who are hurting? |

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| **QUESTION**  How is serving someone like serving Jesus? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  What is something you could do this week to help someone? |

**Activate**

Take action on your idea as a way to help someone this week.

**Pray**

Father God, help me to live my time on earth in a state of readiness. I want to be found working hard for You, using what You have given me to further Your kingdom. Help me to be creative, thoughtful, and caring toward others as I anticipate Jesus’ return. Amen.

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**Day 2: A Place for You**

**Engage**

Read [John 14:1–14](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Jn14.1-14).

**Consider**

Jesus promised that while He is away, He is preparing a place for us with Him. We need to trust in Him and not be anxious while we’re living here on earth. Jesus is coming for us!

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| **QUESTION**  Who did Jesus say is the Way to get to the place He’s preparing? |

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| **QUESTION**  Based on verse [12](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Jn14.12), believing in Jesus means we will do what? |

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| **QUESTION**  Why does Jesus want to provide what we ask for in His name? (verse [13](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Jn14.13)) |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  What does Jesus preparing a place for us say about us being rewarded? |

**Activate**

Think about the kinds of things that bring glory to God. Spend a little time today asking God for an opportunity to take action on something that will bring Him glory.

**Pray**

Father God, help me to trust in You and do works like You. I acknowledge that Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Help me to do good works as I follow Him, that You might be glorified! I pray that others in Your Church will also step out and do great works for Your kingdom. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 3: The Test of Fire**

**Engage**

Read [1 Corinthians 3:10–19](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Co3.10-19).

**Consider**

Having a good foundation in this life ensures our reward in the eternal next life. But what does it mean to have a good foundation, and how can we test to see if our works have value? The apostle Paul gave us some insight into this.

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| **QUESTION**  What does it mean for Jesus to be our foundation? |

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| **QUESTION**  When are our works tested? How are they tested? |

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| **QUESTION**  What’s the outcome for works that survive this test? |

Works that survive being tested by fire are those that will last. They are not temporary works, but have eternal value. Through the Bible, we see many works of Jesus. As we learn more about Jesus, we learn more about His work and the type of work we should do.

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  Would you say your works for God would pass the test described in this passage? Why do you think this? |

**Activate**

Ask for the Holy Spirit to help you do the works of Jesus, and then listen for Him to direct you to take action.

**Pray**

Father God, I cannot wait to get to heaven! Thank You for giving us a glimpse of what it will look like and the rewards that await. Help me to remain faithful and do works that remain. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 4: One Day**

**Engage**

Read [Romans 2:1–11](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro2.1-11).

**Consider**

Many Christians don’t discuss the judgment of God very often, even though there are several verses about it. These verses remind us that our work on earth matters for all eternity. Here, the author of Romans reminds us that God is our Judge, and He judges us for the works we do.

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| **QUESTION**  How does verse [4](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro2.4) describe God? |

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| **QUESTION**  How might we store up punishment for ourself? |

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| **QUESTION**  What is the outcome for those who choose to live for themselves? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  Why do you think we don’t often discuss God’s judgment? |

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| **QUESTION**  Do you think we should talk about it more? Why or why not? |

**Activate**

Do something kind for a family member today. Let them see Jesus in you by doing something for someone other than yourself.

**Pray**

Father God, I want to remember often that You’re kind and have shown love to all people. Help me to be guided by that and think of others more than myself. I want to serve You by serving them. Thank You for rewarding us for the work we do. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.

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**Day 5: Represent Jesus Well**

**Engage**

Read [Colossians 3:12–17](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Col3.12-17).

**Consider**

Every day is full of choices. You can choose to fill it with actions that represent Jesus well or you can choose to put your interests first. The kinds of choices you make reflect who is really the ruler of your heart—you or Jesus.

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| **QUESTION**  How should God’s forgiveness of you influence your interactions with others? |

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| **QUESTION**  How would you describe a life that is clothed in love? |

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| **QUESTION**  What impact could talk that misrepresents Jesus have? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  Look at the list of character traits in verse [12](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Col3.12). In which of those are you strong? |

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| **QUESTION**  Which ones could use a little work? |

**Activate**

Pick one weak character trait from the Reflect section, and find a moment today to put it into practice.

**Pray**

Father God, I ask You to help me do all my work for You. Let my life be more about pleasing You than others. I want to serve Jesus in all that I do and make an eternal impact. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.

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