

## The Way the Truth and the Life

### **IN - helping a sense of belonging...**

Play Two Truths & A Lie Game

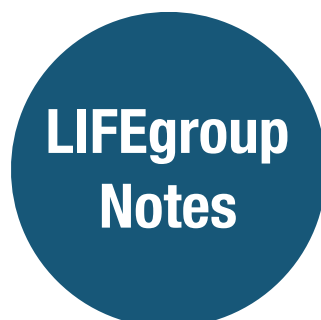
- Instruct each player to think of three statements about themselves. Two must be true statements, and one must be false. For each person, he or she shares the three statements (in any order) to the group. The goal of the icebreaker game is to determine which statement is false. The group votes on which one they feel is a lie and at the end of each round, the person reveals which one was the lie.

### **UP - hearing from God and growing...**

- Which verse particularly resonates with you or challenges you? How will you try to live out this verse in the coming week?
- How do you understand the difference between things that are sometimes true or true for certain people (relative truth) and things that are always true for everyone (absolute truth)?
- In John 10, Jesus says: "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." What do you think Jesus meant by "life to the full"?
- How are the way, the truth, and the life related? How do these three ideas interconnect in your experience of following Jesus?

### **OUT - impacting others...**

- The postmodern worldview is increasingly common in Western society. This is a view that there is no absolute truth. Any religion or worldview which claims to have all the answers is met with suspicion. How do we share the Good News of Jesus Christ effectively in society which holds this worldview?



### **BIBLE READING:**

John 14:1-14

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‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.’

### **Jesus the way to the Father**

Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’

Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.’

Philip said, ‘Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.’

Jesus answered: ‘Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.’