



The Teacher

Focus No one has ever spoken to you like Jesus has, and no one will ever speak to you like He will. Jesus is the truth, and you were created by God to respond to truth.

Open Who was your favorite teacher growing up, and what do you remember most about them?

- Talk**
1. When you read Jesus' teachings in Scripture, what amazes you about His sermons?
 2. Read Matthew 7:28–29. How many sermons do you think you've heard in your lifetime? What similar themes have you encountered? Describe a time when you sensed "one teaching you having great authority."
 3. When Jesus taught, many people had zero expectations due to the religious traditions man had set before His physical arrival on this earth. What is your expectation level when you come into a weekend service, and what are you expecting?
 4. Discuss your thoughts on this statement: "Just because you recognize truth, doesn't mean you receive it."
 5. Read John 14:6 and John 8:31–32. Jesus said that He is the truth, so when He spoke, He was imparting truth. Talk about what truth brings to the table when it is imparted into any life situation.

6. Jesus taught practically. How have we made the Bible complicated?
7. Jesus brings eternal truths into our culture and makes them relevant for our present situation. Briefly share an “eternal truth” from Jesus that has been made relevant to your past or present situation.
8. Jesus knew that people think more in pictures than in sentences. He was a master teacher and was always speaking graphically. What is the greatest picture Jesus painted that has helped you the most in your life?

Live

1. Where do you need to raise your expectation level or change your expectations when you come into a weekend service?
2. Where have you recognized the truth but not always believed it or received it? Why do you think that is, and what needs to change so that you can believe and receive?
3. Where have you complicated the Bible, and how can you begin to see it in a practical way?
4. When sharing your faith in Jesus, how can you begin to incorporate pictorial speech that will allow others to know God better?

Pray

Pray that the Lord would help you raise your expectations in receiving and responding to the truth from His Word. Ask Him to show you where you have not always believed or received truth due to doubt and fear. Pray that the eyes of your understanding would see the Bible in all its practicality. Allow Jesus, the greatest teacher of all time, to continue to impart His truth in your heart for eternity.