

Complete these questions *BEFORE* your Growth Group meets and then use your answers in discussion.

## **John 14**

# **The comfort of Jesus**

### **TO PONDER:**

*In the last week, when did you feel unsettled, anxious or troubled? What was at the heart of those feelings?*

### **Read John 14.1-11**

What was it that was troubling the hearts of the disciples? Why is such a response reasonable?

What future comfort does Jesus promise his disciples?

How do you respond to this promise?

What truths about Jesus do the disciples need to believe in order to feel the comfort of his promise? Make a list!

As you ponder these truths for yourself, which ones excite you the most, confuse you the most? In your group, help each other to appreciate them.

In the following verses, Jesus promises the disciples that his leaving will in fact benefit them because it results in the coming of the Holy Spirit!

**Read John 14.12-31**

What do we learn of the person of the Holy Spirit in these verses? (Make another list!)

In your group, from your list, help each other marvel at the gift of the Holy sPirit!

How is the presence of the Holy Spirit now a great comfort for us?

In the week ahead, as we feel unsettled, anxious or trouble, how does this teaching of Jesus bring peace to us?

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\* Pray together in response to this Word of God for us.