



JOURNAL PAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL SESSION 1

DIGGING IN

Purpose Statement

John 20:30-31

30 Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.

31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

TAKING IT INWARD



Eternal Life. So What?

Okay. Eternal life isn't something we can easily grab onto—and it may seem like a long way off! So it may not be a great motivator right now. In fact, it might have been better if Jesus had said, "Whoever believes in me will get an endless supply of _____!" (Fill in the blank with your favorite candy or soft drink.)

But eternal life is a real thing—and it may come sooner than you might expect.

Assuming you believe in Jesus, do you think your belief in him has changed your life in any way? Think about your interests, and rate yourself on this scale.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Same-ol'-same-ol' <					> People can see Jesus through my lifestyle				

BIG-TIME QUESTIONS

What difference has the presence of Jesus Christ made in your life? Does your lifestyle (outlook, personality, behavior) reflect the fact that you are personally connected to the Creator of the universe?

John wrote his Gospel so others would know “these signs” and believe in Jesus as the Christ. How can your life be a sign that helps others believe in Jesus as the Christ? What changes can people see in you as a direct result of your belief in Jesus? How can you reach out to people in a way that will help them see Jesus through you?

FINISH THIS SENTENCE

If you had a hard time coming up with answers for the previous question, think of it a little differently by finishing this sentence:

“Because I believe in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, I will _____.”

WRAPPING IT UP

Bumper-Sticker Theology

Our Bumper-Sticker Phrase: