

Grace Group Questions

11-04-2018 – The Final Declaration of Hope - John 14:12-14

REMINDER: The purpose of our Grace Groups is to help our church family mature in our love for the Lord and each other. We seek to do this by 1. Practical Sermon Application 2. Practicing the One Another's 3. Providing Care 4. Praying Together 5. Pursuing Discipleship. These questions are simply a tool to help you achieve these purposes. You will notice that these questions are structured according to the three basic principles of Bible study - observation, interpretation, and application.

1. Sermon Passage: Read John 14:12-14

- What was the main point of Sunday's sermon?
- Can you outline the sermon?

2. Observation – What did you hear?

- Identify all the promises that Jesus makes in 14:12-14.
- What is the basis/condition of Jesus fulfilling His promises? (14:12)
- To whom did Jesus make this promise in 14:12? The Apostles? All disciples? Only those with the a specific spiritual gift? Explain your answer.
- Compare and contrast Jesus' earthly ministry in the Gospels with that of the Apostles in the book of Acts. What similarities and differences are noteworthy?

3. Interpretation – What does it mean?

- What does "greater works" mean? How do these greater works relate to Jesus' words and works? How do they relate to the believer's words and works?
- Compare and contrast Jesus' earthly ministry in the Gospels with that of the Apostles in the book of Acts. What similarities and differences are noteworthy?
- "Asking in someone's name" is an expression found six times in the John's Gospel (14:13, 14; 15:16; 16:23, 24, 26). What does it mean to ask "in Jesus' name"?

4. Application – How does this apply?

- Discuss some of the ways you have personally experienced the "greater works" that Jesus promised His disciples in the Upper Room.
- Read the rest of chapter 14. Discuss what the Holy Spirit's role is in the believer's ability to perform "greater works."
- How would you instruct a friend who is convinced that if he attaches "in Jesus' name" to end of his prayer, he will receive whatever he desires?

5. Prayer ...