

## Next Steps

### ***I AM***

Read John 1:11-5, 14. John tells at the beginning that Jesus is the fullness of God in human form. He is God's word made flesh. The rest of the gospel shows us that Jesus affirmed this (section 1) and what this means for our lives (section 2)

Section 1: Jesus refers to Himself as I AM.

Read Exodus 3:1-15

What does the name "I AM WHO I AM" tell us about God?

Look at the 7 times Jesus refers to himself as "I AM".

- John 4:26
- John 6:20
- John 8:24
- John 8:28
- John 8:58
- John 13:19
- John 18:4-6

What does the setting of each statement tell us about Jesus being the Son of God?

Section 2: The 7 I AM statements by Jesus.

Read and reflect on each of the 7 "I AM" statements.

- What does each statement tell us about the role God wants to play in our lives?
- How can Jesus fulfill these statements in your life?
- Which statement brings you the most comfort and encouragement today?
- Which statement is the most challenging?
- What would your life look like if Jesus brought each one of these things into your life?

**I am the bread of life. John 6:35**

**I am the light of the world. John 8:12**

**I am the gate of the sheep. John 10:7**

**I am the good shepherd, John 10:11**

**I am the resurrection and the life. John 11:25**

**I am the way and the truth and the life. 14:6**

**I am the true vine. John 15:1**

Each day of this week, take one statement and turn it into a prayer for thanks for all God has promised to be in your life.

*Thank you, Jesus, for being the bread of life that satisfies all my deepest longings and needs. May I not look to things of this world to be filled but to you and the grace and power that you alone can give. AMEN*