

GATHER 10

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS Week of May 12, 2024

This week's discussion questions are based on the First Reading found at Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26, on the Second Reading found at 1 John 4:11-16 and on the Gospel found at John 17:11b-19

- ✚ In the First Reading, Peter will make a difference in the Apostle's lives by leading them in the decision to find the one who will replace Judas. Has God ever used to you make a difference in someone else's life? What happened. How did it make you feel?
- ✚ In order to determine who would replace Judas, the apostles "gave lots to them, and the lot fell to Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles." Is there anyone/thing besides Christ that you rely on to help you make choices? What is it?
- ✚ What can make it difficult to trust God with a big decision?
- ✚ In the Second Reading, St. John tells us "No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us . . ." He is saying that when we love each other we are able to see God. Call to mind times when you have seen God in another person. How did God reveal Himself?
- ✚ The Second Reading reminds us that "God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him." Is there anyone God has called you to love unconditionally? Is this a struggle? Why or why not? How will you show this person love?
- ✚ What specific steps can you take this week to demonstrate your love for someone else? Who will it be? What will you do?
- ✚ The Gospel reads, "But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely." How does "true joy" present itself to you? Share some ways in which God has blessed you with true joy.

Prayer Intentions