

Some resources for further study:

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John

“What Did Jesus Ask: Christian Leaders Reflect on His Questions of Faith”

Edited by Elizabeth Dias

“Jesus Is the Question: The 307 Questions Jesus Asked and the 3 He Answered”

by Martin B. Copenhaver

“The Questions of Jesus: Challenging Ourselves to Discover Life's Great Answers”

by John Dear




A Study Guide For  
28 Days With  
QUESTIONS ?  
Jesus Asked



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 **Week 4** **We are Called to Love**

**Have you considered the questions of Jesus lately?** 

John 2:4      Woman, why do you involve me?

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John 4:7      Will you give me a drink?

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John 5:6      Do you want to be healed?

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People tend to focus on answers. If our faith convictions don't provide solid answers to life's urgent questions, we wonder what good are these convictions and are we wasting our time? We have much at stake in our personal lives, our communities and our world and we want answers for how to do life well as a beloved child of God. The questions of Jesus may actually lead us to the information we seek. Sometimes candid, sometimes harsh, sometimes simple, sometimes obvious—the questions of Jesus are worth hearing. Sitting with the questions, without rushing to answer them, can be a helpful opportunity for insight into the lives God would have us live. We have selected a list of questions Jesus asks in the Gospel of John. This is not an exhaustive list of questions. Jesus asked over a hundred questions in the gospels.

Here are a couple of suggestions for how to use this guide. One option is to set aside a few minutes every day to simply read the entire list of questions. The force of the questions when heard together is powerful. Even without any answers, reading these questions every day brings clarity to the priorities of Jesus. You may also choose to focus on one question each day. Before opening the Bible to read the story which record the questions, think about how you might answer the question yourself. Imagine Jesus is not asking the question of a Pharisee, or the crowds, or a leper, but Jesus is asking you and me. Jesus is asking us. You may have other ways to integrate these questions into the rhythm of your day and week. Ask the Spirit to give you a heart for hearing and receiving these questions. Then, let's prepare for the Spirit to shape us in ways helpful to God's work in our lives and in this world.



Week 1

We are Called  
to Jesus

John 1:38

What do you want?

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John 14:2

My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

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John 18:4, 7

Who is it you want?

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Dates April 22-28



John 18:11

Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given me?

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John 18:21

Why question me?

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 **Week 3**      **We are Called  
to a Messy Life**

John 6:61      Does this offend you?

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John 6:67      You do not want to leave too, do you?

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John 8:10      Woman, where are they? Has no one  
condemned you?


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**Dates April 8-14**      

John 20:15      Woman, why are you weeping? Who is it you  
are looking for?

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John 21:5      Friends, haven't you any fish?

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Week 2

We are Called  
to a Mystery

John 3:10

Do you not understand these things?

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John 12:27

What shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"?

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John 13:12

Do you understand what I have done for you?

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Dates April 15-21



John 13:38

Will you really lay down your life for me?

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