



THE US BUS

Jesus did not come to take sides; He came to take over.

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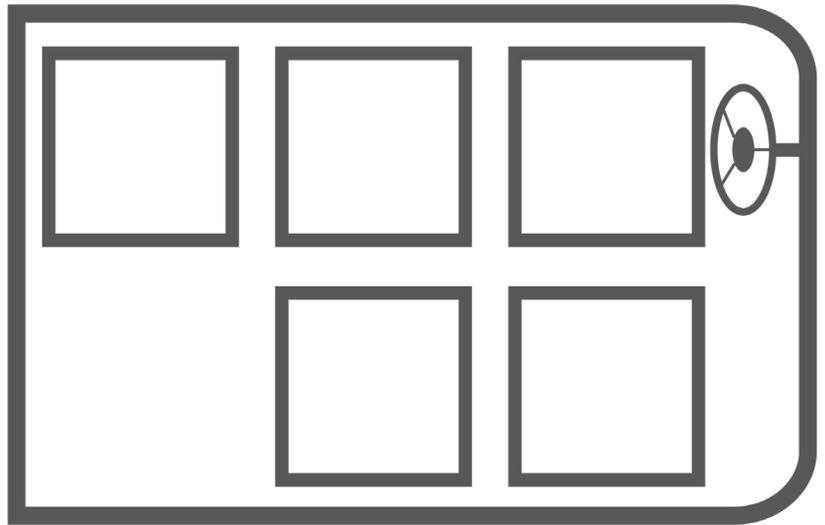
My _____ guide my life.

- **It's problematic when my life and liberties are the result of my pursuit of _____.**
- **What I _____ determines how I _____.**

My life is like a bus that is _____ by what I believe.

WHAT INFLUENCES MY BELIEFS:

- _____
or desires
- _____
- _____
Traditions
- _____
and Scripture
- _____



⁶Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

John 14:6-7 (NIV)

SERIES BIG IDEAS:
 _____ **and scripture drive my beliefs,**
not my pursuit of _____.

ANYTIME JESUS AND SCRIPTURE ARE NOT DRIVING MY ACTIONS AND BELIEFS:

- **I will pursue another way that is not _____.**

There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.

Proverbs 14:12; 16:25 (NIV)

- **I will not experience true _____.**

¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:10-11 (NIV)

- **I will not know the _____ or live in the _____.**



LIFE
Liberty
AND THE PURSUIT OF

Will I allow Jesus and scripture to _____ my beliefs?

Will I let Jesus _____ my way, my truth, and my life?

Will _____ become my way, become my truth, and become my life?

MY NOTES



TEACHING SUMMARY:

Jesus stated clearly that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life and that all other thoughts would not lead to the Father. In our individualistic society, making statements like this can come as a shock and can be viewed as closed minded.

People will ask questions like "What about how I feel?" or make statements like "That is not my experience or my truth". Our human nature leads us to believe that our way is the best and that our experience should be what drives us.

Jesus is saying this is not the way. Jesus is saying that His way is the only way that leads to Life and His way is the only way worth following.

So as you look at your life what drives your decisions? What is the major influence in your beliefs? Is it Jesus and His word or is it something else?

TALK IT OVER:

How have you seen someone put something or someone, other than Jesus and scripture, in the driver's seat of their bus? How did that impact what they did?

Have you ever let something or someone, other than Jesus and scripture, drive what you did? If so, how did that impact what you believed and how you acted?

Why is it so important to you that Jesus and scripture drive your belief and actions?

What did the message teach you about Jesus?
What did it teach you about you?

What did it show you about how Jesus wants you to live your life? Are you willing to submit to His leadership in your beliefs and decisions? Why or Why not?

Is there a next step you need to take today?

How can others in your group pray for you?

FURTHER READING:

Day 1: John 17:20-23

Day 2: Ephesians 4:19-24

Day 3: Matthew 22:15-21

Day 4: Matthew 21:32

Day 5: 3 John 2-4

Day 6: Romans 6:1-14