

1 READ THE SCRIPTURE

I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me. I have given them the glory you gave me, so they may be one as we are one. I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me. Father, I want these whom you have given me to be with me where I am. Then they can see all the glory you gave me because you loved me even before the world began!
-John 17:20-24

2 STARE AT THE IMAGE

For a full 60 seconds, stare at the image. What memories or feelings come up in you as you do?

3 REFLECT Ask some or all of these questions, depending on your context and timeframe

- When we see a warm, inviting, and beautiful home, what longings rise up in you?
- Other than your own home, what comes closest to your “second home,” and why?
- How has that “second home”—that place of trust—changed you as a person?
- What role has trust in your relationships with others played in your ability to trust God?
- When you imagine what it will be like to “be with” Jesus in His home, what comes to mind?
- What do you see in this image that reminds you of what Jesus is saying in this passage?

LEARNING TO
TRUST GOD

BEING
WITH

(JOHN 17:20-24)