# St. John's EBCs, Everyday Bible Conversations!

EBC 3, 2, 1! – On Location in 2025! Leading to Worship Sunday, May 25, 2025

### Reading: John 14:23-29

EBC focuses on bringing the Bible into our Everyday Lives, emphasizing God's Everyday presence by finding connections in our physical world! EBC also has a video component on the St. John's website and St. John's YouTube channel. This week, we explore what it means to live in Jesus' peace. Click here: <u>https://youtu.be/ZI6gbbZkhX0</u> Welcome to this week's EBC 3,2,1! Three points, two questions, and one action step!

## **Three Points**

- This week's reading opens, curiously, with the answer to a question that is not in these verses. Earlier in John 14, Jesus tells the disciples that he will reveal himself to the ones who love him, but not to everyone. Judas (not Iscariot) asked, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?" (John 14:22)
- Jesus answer is all about love. Those who love Jesus will keep his word, and God loves them and will come to them.
- Then Jesus reminds the disciples that he is going away, but comforts them not to be troubled. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." (John 14:27) Jesus tells the disciples that he as once both going away, and coming to, the disciples.

## **Two Questions**

- Do you see the task that Jesus leaves with his disciples, and us? God comes to those who love him, but Jesus clearly is not planning to reveal himself to everyone all on his own. Consider, for a moment, that it is God's specific plan that you, who love Jesus, will help reveal God's love to others! Does that seem a daunting task?
- What does it mean for Jesus to give you his peace? Are we meant simply to never worry? How do you carry Jesus' peace with you, even when you are troubled?

## **Action Step**

• God's charge for us to help reveal Jesus, and Jesus' peace, go hand-in-hand! Be confident Jesus is with you, as you reveal Jesus to others through your love!

## Don't like these questions? Do these verses say something different to you? Great! What it is?

And as always, you are encouraged to find a friend (or two or many) and take an EBC coffee break! Find 15-25 minutes somewhere in the week and share your faith. Have fun finding God this week in your Everyday Life!