

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2020

Background: For two Sundays we read from the Last Supper Discourse of John's gospel. In John's gospel the lifting up of Jesus on the cross is the beginning of his glorification: resurrection, ascension, and the sending of the Spirit all happen on Easter Day. This discourse is therefore Jesus's farewell address to his disciples. In this portion he assures his disciples that those who know and believe in him "will do the works I do, and far greater than these."

Some Discussion Questions

1. Which of the works that Jesus does has drawn you to him? What has made you put your trust in him?
2. When have you seen other people doing the works of Jesus? How has their example already affected you?
3. How has being a disciple of Jesus called you out of your comfort zone? How has your growing awareness of being a Christian changed your outlook and actions?
4. In today's reading from Acts different ways of service are being acknowledged. Toward what kind of service do you find your heart being called?

Practice: Which trustworthy person knows you well enough that you could have a conversation with them about your desire to serve others more effectively?

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