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14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, **full of grace and truth**. 15 John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' " 16 From the **fullness of his grace** we have all received one blessing after another. 17 For the law was given through Moses; **grace and truth came through Jesus Christ**. 18 No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known.

Questions for reflection

- Is your tendency to judge or excuse your friends' sins/confessions?
- What are you learning from Jesus about sitting with others who are struggling with sin?
- Are you giving your close relationships sufficient time to build the trust necessary for grace and truth?
- How is God's gift of grace to you and your exceeding rejoicing in it, influencing the way you treat others?
- How does it feel to know that you/we are Christ's ambassador(s) to people who don't know Him yet?
- Jesus, who has all authority, is giving you guidance & power through His Spirit to be filled with grace and truth. What does that mean to you today?

Prayer prompts

- Spirit of God, show me where I might be judging or excusing the sins of others.
- Father, help me as I learn what it means to be more graceful and truthful with my spiritual friends and unbelievers.
- Help me be a solid representation of Jesus to others.
- May I extend the same grace I have been given.
- Father, may I know you better so I can make You known.
- Jesus, thank you for praying for me and giving me the Spirit to live inside me.