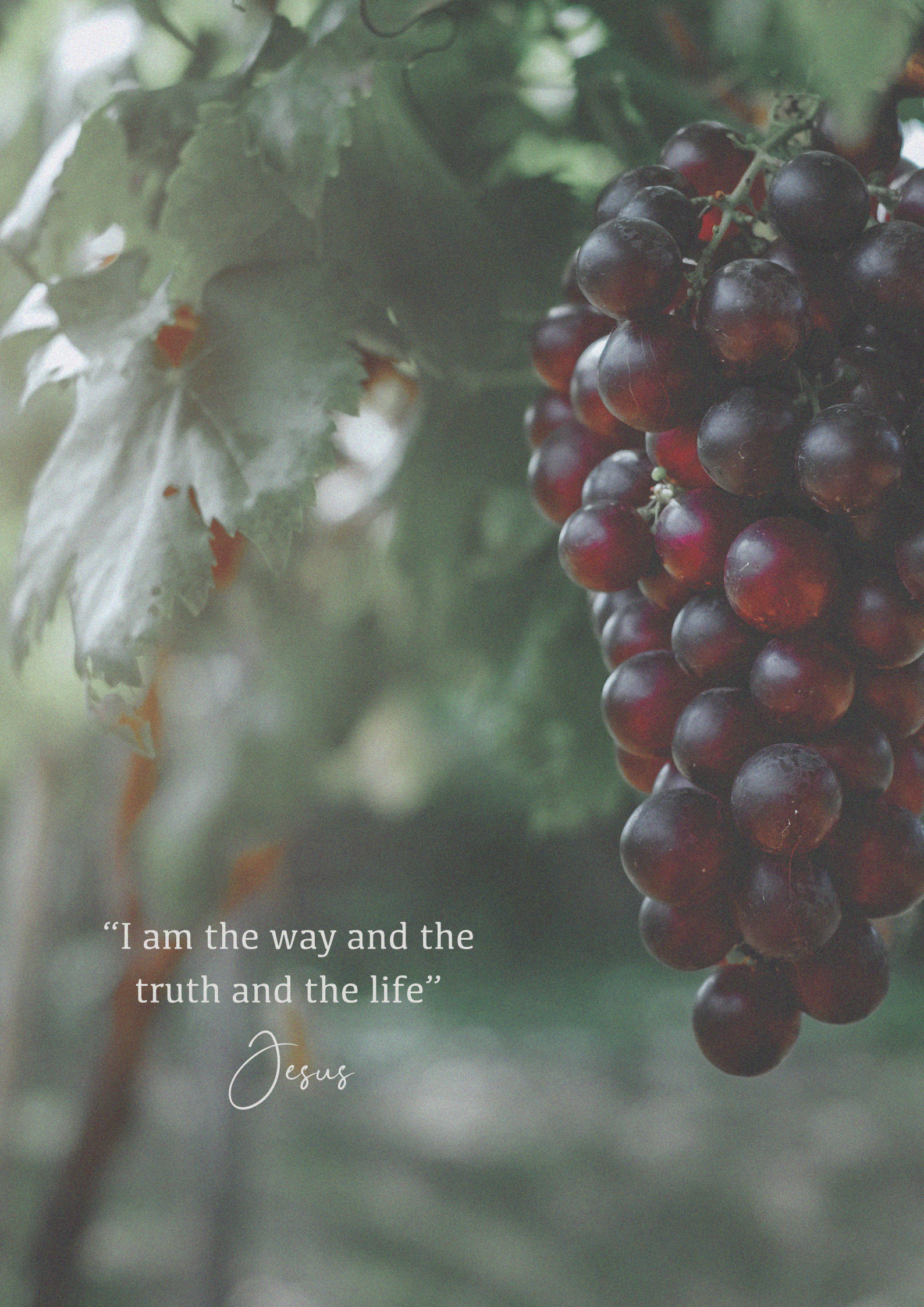
The Way of Jesus


“I am the way and the
truth and the life”
Jesus

our hope for you

I am so grateful that you would prayerfully consider embarking on a discipleship journey as part of the "The Way of Jesus" spiritual formation pathway.

FOLLOWING JESUS FOR THE RENEWAL OF OUR CITY

At City Lights, our mission is to see renewal by following the ways Jesus exemplified to us. The world desperately needs Christians who are renewed to think, sound, act and love like Jesus. These people carry the presence of God and see their homes and communities transformed for the glory of God. My hope is that you would embrace the process to become one of them.

"The Way of Jesus" is designed as a catalyst to accelerate your spiritual growth and maturity by:

- Embracing the counter-cultural, life - giving rhythms of Jesus' life
- Encountering the story, presence, and voice of God
- Empowering you to see renewal in every area of your life

If you have a strong desire to invest your time, energy and commitment to be formed, challenged, re-shaped and empowered, then "The Way of Jesus" is for you.

I am so excited about what God will do in us and through us as part of this journey.

Ps Andrew



your invitation

A man once came up to his pastor and said:

> “I was a Christian for twenty-two years. But instead of being a twenty-two year-old Christian, I was a one year-old Christian twenty-two times. I just kept doing the same things over and over again.”

Being part of a Christian community or accepting Christ is no guarantee that we mature to become like Jesus and grow in our faith.

The Bible lays out a clear framework and pattern for spiritual growth and maturity. We are all invited on a journey of discipleship and into the process of being formed to become like Jesus, however not all of us accept this invitation. Why? Because this journey requires us to go “beneath the iceberg” to deal with our motivations, our past and our ingrained, unhealthy habits and patterns of thinking.

“The Way of Jesus” is your introduction to the life-giving and life-transforming way of living that Jesus offers. It is designed to be an intensive and immersive journey that will accelerate your spiritual growth. It will challenge you to embrace the fullness of life that Jesus offers to every one of us. This will be done through a series of teachings on the ways of Jesus in community, immersive retreats, exploring the impacts your past has on you and through embracing the revolutionary rhythms and practises Jesus modeled to us.


Jesus and the
Holy Spirit
Session Six - Part One
SUPERDRY
Athletics

Stories of Renewal

The Way of Jesus has significantly helped me live a life following Jesus. Before, I felt like I was lost without a paddle. Even though I knew what to do, I couldn't seem to take control of my life. The outside world influenced me greatly than I thought and made me realize that I was falling into the world's trap without noticing it, slowly being chained by worldly influences.

Now, I know that I am worthy and capable of doing great things. The devil held me down for too long, but not anymore. This transformation happened because of this course and my commitment to giving it my all, not just a half-hearted effort like I did at the start.

It is my choice to live a life with Jesus at the centre.

Ash

I am hearing God quicker and I'm trusting that it's His voice. I'm kinder to myself, in my thoughts and words. I'm faster to celebrate and slower to judge others. I feel like a different person to when I started, I've never been this way before!

Laura

Stories of Renewal

The one thing that I've learned about following Jesus is that while I'm here on earth, I can't survive without prayer and having Him involved in every decision I make.

This unwavering trust in him and continuous prayer has transformed my life, providing me with strength, clarity, and a profound sense of peace.

Rochelle

This course has forced me to deal with old wounds and invite the Holy Spirit into the process. There were areas in my life where I have been suppressing emotions, and this has prevented me from living a life of freedom with Christ.

The Way of Jesus has been a huge blessing for my faith, I have loved the connection I have had in the sessions and mini groups.

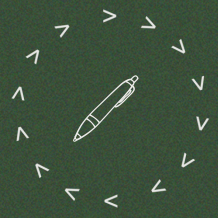
Regan



dates

"The Way of Jesus" starts in May 2025 and continues through until August 2025. It has four components:

SESSIONS



In-person on Sunday nights from 5-6:45pm

DAILY RHYTHMS



Guided prayer and reflection on Bible readings (min 20 mins)

CIRCLES



Fortnightly online mini groups (approx 40 mins)

RETREATS



Offsite full-day Saturday gatherings

In order for "The Way of Jesus" to be effective, these gatherings are in addition to commitment to City Lights Sundays, serving and groups. It will be important to attend all of the retreats and at least 85% of the sessions.

Sessions

Sunday May 4th, 2025	Sunday Session
Saturday, May 17th, 2025	Full Day Retreat One
Sunday, June 1, 2025	Sunday Session
Sunday, June 15, 2025	Sunday Session
Sunday, June 29, 2025	Sunday Session
Sunday, July 13th	Sunday Session
Saturday, July 26th, 2025	Full Day Retreat Two
Sunday, August 10, 2025	Sunday Session
Sunday, August 24, 2025	Celebration





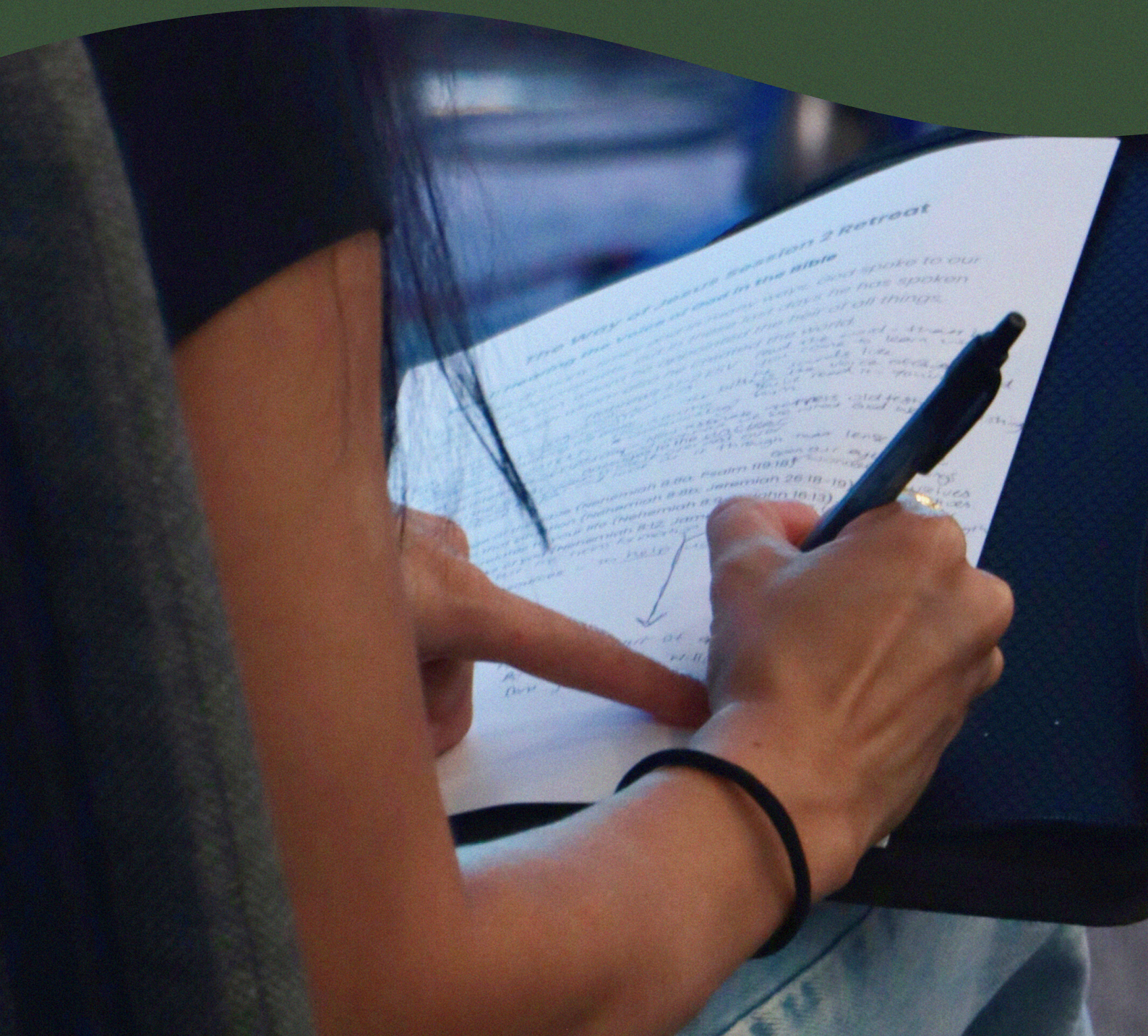
cost

We are committed to providing a quality experience for the “The Way of Jesus”, with access to high quality presenters, experiential discipleship, transformative retreats and resourced formation.

“The Way of Jesus” will cost $390 which will be all-inclusive for retreats, sessions and resources. There are options for “The Way of Jesus” to be paid via a payment plan and financial assistance opportunities are available via application.

who should apply?

“The Way of Jesus” is designed for people who are committed to City Lights as their local church and are actively involved in community life through groups and serving. They have strong desire to grow, learn and invest time, energy and commitment to be formed and challenged. If you are one of these people and can commit to joining the upcoming dates, we would encourage you to apply. If the only reason why you would hesitate to apply is due to financial concerns or date clashes, please contact us.



application

We hope that “The Way of Jesus” is run annually. “The Way of Jesus” is designed to be a catalytic season of growth, stretching and implementing new habits of living. It requires a high level of commitment and we also believe that it will be a blessing to your household, community and our church. Because of this, we want to ensure that this is the right option for you in this season.

We would love to invite you to apply for “The Way of Jesus” through this QR code found at the bottom of the page. Applications for 2025 close 15th April 2025.

Please feel free to ask any questions or send an email to andrew@city-lights.church

While not everyone that applies may be a part of the next group, we will be running this yearly and would hope that everyone receives the right opportunity in the right season.

CLICK HERE TO APPLY