

Finding your “Waze” to God

Today’s theme, inspired by the Gospel reading from **John 14:1-7**, is “Finding your Waze to God”. In this passage we read of Thomas searching for the way, the truth and the life. He is an encouragement when we may not know the way. Similarly, Mumford and Sons elucidate this theme through their song “guiding light”.

Waze is a community-driven GPS and navigation app that guides you through the shortest route possible while driving. It runs on a smartphone and can help you find directions and avoid traffic jams. The app is much like Google Maps; however, Waze is community-based. Waze handles things a bit differently, though, relying on the power of other people to steer you down the right roads. With over 100 million users sharing noteworthy information about what they encounter along the way, Waze stays constantly updated about anything that could slow your progress. Input from your fellow drivers, known as Wazers, lets the app alert you to essential items such as construction, police activity, accidents and even minor things to look out for like potholes and disabled cars on the shoulder.

Waze utilizes all of this information seamlessly to predict accurate arrival times and tailor turn-based directions as you drive, helping you traverse both city and rural roads with confidence. As users sign-up and mark obstacles, traffic alerts, police and hazards, this community helps you to reach your destination. From this shared wisdom, you can choose one of multiple suggested routes; it is up to you.

We invite you to ponder your experience, alone and in community, of “Finding your Waze to God” by first engaging with this song.

Guiding Light - Mumford & Sons

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qHsEwQvnGOE>

One, two, three
 We’re on the permanent red
 The glaze on my eyes
 When I heard your voice
 The distance caught me by surprise again

And I know you claim that you’re alright
 But fix your eyes on me
 I guess I’m all you have
 And I swear you’ll see the dawn again



Well I know I had it all on the line
But don't just sit with folded hands and
become blind
'Cause even when there is no star in sight
You'll always be my only guiding light

Relate to my youth
Well I'm still in awe of you
Discover some new truth
That was always wrapped around you

But don't just slip away
In the night
Don't just hurl
Your words from on high

Well I know I had it all on the line
But don't just sit with folded hands and
become blind
'Cause even when there is no star in sight
You'll always be my only guiding light

If we come back and we're broken
Unworthy and ashamed
Give us something to believe in
And you know we'll go your way

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REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- What or who are the signposts that tell you are on the path to God?
- How do you know you are on the right path?
- What role does the shared wisdom of others on the path play in your life?



Reading: John 14:1-7

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house, there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.

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