

Create



✔ Prepare in Advance

- Facilitator: In advance of the session:
- Provide pens/pencils and paper for the writing option.
 - Provide crayons or colored pencils for the visual option.
 - Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.

✔ Breath of God

Ask someone to read John 14:15-21. Then, show the *Bible Background Video*.

Say: As the disciples begin to realize that Jesus expects them to carry on the mission he began, they seem to have all the fears and uncertainties anyone would have. In today's passage, Jesus offers comforting words and the promise of an encouraging and enabling "Advocate" in the Holy Spirit. Where have you felt the support of this Advocate in your life?

Distribute copies of this page. Invite each person to choose either the **Writing** or the **Visual** approach and spend the next 20-25 minutes with that experience.

✔ Create – Writing

Write at least one of these options:

- Imagine you are one of the disciples who hear Jesus' words in this passage. Pretend you are interviewed by the Nazareth Times newspaper. How would you explain your mission and the help of this "advocate"?
- Imagine you are the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. Write what you see, feel and do on a particular day. How do you see and try to help people?
- Write a poem or song lyrics titled: "My Advocate."

✔ Create – Visual

Using crayons or colored pencils and paper, create one of these visual items:

- Create a visual image titled: My Advocate.
- Create a visual image that depicts Jesus explaining the presence of the advocate to the disciples.
- Create a visual image that expresses the continuing mission of the disciples.

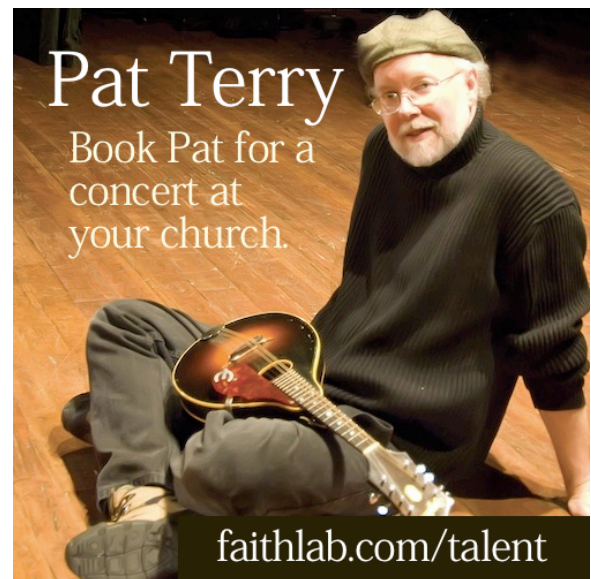
✔ Share

Call the group together. Ask for volunteers to share their creations and explain their meaning, or tell the stories behind them.

✔ Close

Offer a prayer asking God to help us listen for and rely upon the voice of Jesus in our lives.

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