

John 14 - How Jesus Prepares Us For His Work

He speaks to uncertainty of the future - from a TROUBLED heart to PEACE

Joh 14:1-7 & 27 ESV "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. 4 And you know the way to where I am going." 5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.....27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

He speaks to our desire for something more...Isn't Jesus enough?

John 14:8-11 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." 9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? **Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?** 10 **Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?** The words that I say to you **I do not speak on my own authority**, but **the Father who dwells in me does his works**. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

He turns our attention from worry and dissatisfaction to the TASK at hand

John 14:12 "Truly, truly, I say to you, **whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do**; and **greater works than these will he do**, because I am going to the Father.

- What do you think of the prospect of this comment? Do you want that? He does!!!

He gives us confidence to **pray**

John 14:13-14 Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 **If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.**

- Joh 15:7 ESV **If you abide in me, and my words abide in you**, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

He forever links **love** to **obedience** and the promise of His **presence**

John 14:15 & 21-23 **"If you love me, you will keep my commandments.....21** Whoever has my commandments and **keeps them, he it is who loves me**. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and **manifest myself to him**." 22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" 23 Jesus answered him, **"If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.**

- He promises he presence - that he will manifest himself to us...it is tied to love and obedience

He gives his Holy Spirit forever - Helper -- Spirit of Truth -- Teacher -- Reminder

John 14:16-17 & 25-26 And I will ask the Father, and **he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever**, 17 even **the Spirit of truth**, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you..... 25 "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Helper, the **Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

Question: what will it take for me to have this intimate relationship with Him as we join him in his work