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## Discipleship

JESUS IN THE  
GOSPEL OF JOHN

August 6, 2023

### Confidently Safe

JOHN 14:1-15

*Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 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? 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. And you know the way to 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 had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." (John 14:1-7)*

*Safety First. Feeling safe. Being in a safe environment. A safe place. We hear these statements because we want to be safe. We have alarm systems, emergency personnel, and trauma one hospitals. We have friends who we trust and the comfort of our own dwelling places. Many times, at the end of life, people want to pass away in their own homes because it is safe.*

*As Jesus is preparing to transition from earth to heaven, He is confronted with comforting His disciples. Right now, they don't feel safe. Jesus will reassure them that, in His absence, they can feel safe and have the assurance of being safe for eternity.*

**I. I can confidently \_\_\_\_\_ God, John 14:1.**

**A. The Old Testament gave hope of a coming Messiah.**

*From the first promise in Genesis 3:15, to the promise of a nation to Abraham in Genesis 12:1-2, to the specific tribe in Genesis 40:10, to the promise to King David in 2 Samuel 7:16-17, to a birthplace found in Micah 5:2, and to the crucifixion recorded in Psalm 22 and Isaiah 53.*

**B. The New Testament gives hope of a worldwide Messiah.**

*The prophesy of Jesus death was announced by Caiaphas in John 11:50-52. After preaching to the Jewish people, Paul and Barnabas would be sent to the Gentile world as recorded in Acts 13:46-47.*

**II. I can confidently be \_\_\_\_\_ there is a place for me in Heaven, John 14:2.**

**A. God has a time frame.** *Acts 1:4-13 gives us the record of the Father's plan and the return of Jesus for His children.*

**B. We are currently living in what many theologians' terms, "the age [or time period] of grace."** *A note about angels.*

*It was an angel that announced Jesus' entrance on to planet earth, and angels that announced His exit from planet earth.*

**C. "In my Father's house there are many abiding places,"** John 14:2.

**III. I can confidently \_\_\_\_\_ the only way to Heaven, John 14:6.**

**IV. I can confidently \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus will return, John 14:3.**

**A. A personal \_\_\_\_\_, Acts 1:11.** *What we need to understand is that the gathering is not about mansions, it's about being with Jesus. "In my Father's house are many abiding places," John 14:2. The same word for abiding places is used in John 14:23, "make our abiding place with you."*

**B. A personal \_\_\_\_\_, Revelation 4:1.** *The door standing open in Heaven signifies the translation of God's children from earth to Heaven. This "catching up" has been termed, the Rapture.*

**C. A personal \_\_\_\_\_, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.** *The Apostle Paul was writing to relieve the fear that Christians missed the coming of Jesus. Jesus said He would return. He did not say how long until that return. Now, the first group of Christian die physically and the fear is that Jesus was not returning. Many false teachers were using this grieving time to scare believers into thinking there is no resurrection, or Jesus coming again. "Caught up" is a sudden, forcible seizure. In what is Satan's domain, Ephesians 2:2, this reunion with Jesus now takes place.*

**D. A personal \_\_\_\_\_, 2 Corinthians 5:1-8.**

**E. A personal \_\_\_\_\_, Revelation 22:17.**

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