

John 14: 1 – 15

(Jesus just finished telling His disciples that He was going to be with them only a little while longer)

Joh 14:1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. Joh 14:2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. Joh 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. Joh 14:4 You know the way to the place where I am going." Joh 14:5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Joh 14:6 Jesus answered, "**I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.**" Joh 14:7 If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him." Joh 14:8 Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." Joh 14:9 Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Joh 14:10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Joh 14:11 Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. Joh 14:12 I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. Joh 14:13 And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. Joh 14:14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

1. What is Jesus referring to in verse 2?
2. In verse 3, we see the essence of what it means to be in heaven. What is it?
3. In verse 4, what is the way to the place where Jesus is going?
4. According to verse 5, did the disciples understand what Jesus was talking about?
5. What was Jesus teaching in the first part of verse 6?
6. What bold statement does Jesus make in the second part of verse 6?
7. Why would this statement be criticized today?
8. What is Jesus teaching in verse 7-11?

Col 1:15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

Col 2:9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,

Heb 1:3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

9. In verse 13 – 14, what does Jesus say He will do and what are the qualifications He makes?

Joh 15:7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. Joh 15:8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

James 4: You do not have, because you do not ask God. Jas 4:3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

John 14: 15 - 31

John 14:15 "If you love me, you will obey what I command. **16** And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- **17** the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. **18** I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. **19** Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. **20** On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. **21** Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him." **22** Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?" **23** Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. **24** He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. **25** "All this I have spoken while still with you. **26** But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. **27** Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. **28** "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. **29** I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. **30** I will not speak with you much longer, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold on me, **31** but the world must learn that I love the Father and that I do exactly what my Father has commanded me. "Come now; let us leave.

1. What things do we pursue in life? What is Jesus teaching in verse 15?
2. Who is this Counselor in verse 16? (See verse 26)
3. In verse 17, what is meant by 'the world' and why can't they accept the Holy Spirit?

Eph 1:13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, Eph 1:14 who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession-- to the praise of his glory.

1Co 6:19 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 1Co 6:20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

4. In verse 19, why did Jesus say that soon the world would not see Him anymore?
5. In verse 19, how will those who believe see Jesus?
6. At the end of verse 19, why is our life contingent on the life of Jesus?
7. In verse 21, how is God's relationship different with people who obey Jesus' commands?
8. According to verse 21, why do some people feel that they do not experience God very much?
9. What is the most foundational and basic way to love Jesus and obey his commands?
10. According to verse 26, what is one of the roles the Holy Spirit plays in the life of a believer?
11. What does verse 27 say about Christ's peace?
12. In verse 29, what did Jesus tell His disciples would happen and why?
13. In verse 30, who is the prince of this world and how is he coming?
14. According to the end of verse 30, what power did Satan have over the death of Jesus?
15. According to verse 31, what ultimately brought about Jesus' death on the cross?