

The Way

The Scriptures

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- John 14:1-9

In This Series We Will Learn...

1. That life has its troubles, but we don't need to fear.
2. That believers have something that the world doesn't have.

"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."

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The Background to the Story

Palm Sunday – He is the Messiah, and yet He talks of death.

The Seder meal – Feet-washing, Judas, Peter failure moments.

The Mood – Fear and confusion.

The Command

Do not be shaken!

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me."

- John 14:1

Trust Me as you have always trusted the Father.

Here is another place where Jesus says that He is equal to God.

The Comfort

1. You can take comfort because there is room for you.
"In my Father's house are many rooms..." - John 14:2
 2. You can take comfort because Jesus is telling you everything.
"...if it were not so, I would have told you..." - John 14:2
 3. You can take comfort because Jesus is preparing a place for you.
"I am going there to prepare a place for you..." - John 14:2
- This is an analogy for heaven. *(There are many in the Bible!)*
 - This was immediately understood by the apostles because it was their culture.

4. You can take comfort because Jesus will come back for His own.

"If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me..." - v. 3

5. You can take comfort because you will again BE with Jesus.

"...that you also may be where I am."

- John 14:3

6. You can take comfort because you know the way to Jesus.

"You know the way to the place where I am going."

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The Concern

Thomas was immediately concerned about the route.

"Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'"

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"Then Thomas (called Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with Him.'"

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Jesus had earlier told them that they could not follow Him, so their confusion is understandable.

"Simon Peter asked Him, 'Lord, where are you going?' Jesus replied, 'Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later.'"

- John 13:36

As often happened, the disciples had missed the spiritual point.

Jesus declares Himself the Way, Truth and Life. There is only one way!

"I am the gate, whoever enters through me will be saved."

- John 10:9

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

- Acts 4:12

"For no one can lay a foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ."

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