

I AM: Jesus in His Own Words

"The Way, the Truth and the Life" John 14:1-14 May 16, 2021

The Disciple's Dilemma & Jesus' Answers

They were disturbed & distressed

Jesus was getting them ready for His departure Mark 8:31; 9:30-32; 10:32-34

Jesus directs them: Don' be troubled - just believe John 20:29; 1 John 3:23; Hebrews 11:13

Jesus had designed a destination for them: Heaven 2 Corinthians 5;1; Hebrews 11:10; Revelation 21:9-27

They needed <u>direction</u>

Where are you going and how do we know the way? John 7:33; 13:1-3; 13:36

Jesus makes a decisive declaration & demand I AM who I AM The Way, The Truth & The Life

- 1) We must <u>know</u> The Way
 Proverbs 14:12; Psalm 119: 30; Acts 4:12
- 2) We must <u>seek</u> & understand The <u>Truth</u> John 1:14, 17; 16:13; 8:37; 1 Timothy 2:3-6; 1 John 5:20
- 3) We must <u>believe</u> in The <u>Life</u>
 Deut. 30:19-20; John 1:4; 5:26; 10:10; 6:63; 1 John 1:1

They make a demand – Show us the Father John 1:10; 8:19

Jesus is <u>disappointed</u> & defines who He is again John 1:18; 10:38; 12:45 (NIV)

They had to make a decision

Will we continue to believe & follow?

Jesus delivers a promise

- 1) You will do even greater things (distance & degree)
- 2) You can ask anything in My Name & I will answer

Response Questions:

- 1. What remedy does Jesus give His disciples (& you) for their troubled hearts? How have you experienced this help?
- 2. Why is it good news that Jesus is preparing a place for His followers to go to in the future? How has that promise affected your life today?
- 3. Have you ever gotten lost before or lost someone (a child or a friend, etc.?) What did that feel like? What did it feel like to find your way? What did it feel like to be found or find that person?
- 4. Why is Christianity exclusive & what is so offensive about Jesus's statement of I AM the Way, the Truth, & the Life & no one can come to the Father but through Him?
- 5. What does it mean when we pray when can ask anything in His name and He will answer it? How have you seen the Lord answer your prayers?