

**A House is Not a Home**  
**The Promise Part 3**  
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**Text: John 14:23-26**

**John 14:23 NIV** Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.”

- **Jesus’ Call for Love:** Love is more than an emotion; it’s an action.
- **Obedience as an Expression of Love:** True love for Jesus is demonstrated through obedience to His commands.
- **Indwelling of God:** The promise of God making a home with those who love Him.
- **Experience of God’s Presence:** What it feels like to have God living within us.

**John 14:24 NIV**

“Anyone 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.”

- **Lack of Love and Obedience:** The verse contrasts the earlier focus on those who love and obey Jesus with those who do not.
- **Importance of Obedience in Faith:** Obedience is a key indicator of one's love for Jesus and commitment to His teachings.
- **Divine Origin of Teachings:** Jesus emphasizes that His teachings are not merely His own but come from the Father.
- **Understanding the Divine Authority:** Recognizing the divine source of Jesus’ words helps in appreciating their importance and power.

**John 14:25-26 NIV**

**25** “All this I have spoken while still with you. **26** But the Advocate, 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.”

- **The Role of the Holy Spirit:** Teacher, Reminder, Guide.
- **The Spirit’s Assistance:** The Holy Spirit helps in all areas of our lives.

