Buy From Me Gold (Part 3):

John 14

John 14:1-6 "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² 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? ³ 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. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Let not your hearts be troubled!

Jesus promised he would love to the end. He also knows as He goes to the cross many emotions are going to arise in the hearts of the disciples. They will experience fear, anxiety, insecurity, rejection to name a few. Jesus' concern is that when they encounter these challenges that they are equipped and prepared.

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In my Fathers house are many dwelling places.

To dwell with means to live with. It conveys intimacy and relationship. Jesus is promising an eternal dwelling. It provokes faith and trust through hope.

Revelation 21:9-27 "Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." 10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. 12 It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— 13 on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. 14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

15 And the one who spoke with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls. 16 The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width. And he measured the city with his rod, 12,000 stadia. Its length and width and height are equal. 17 He also measured its wall, 144 cubits by human measurement, which is also an angel's measurement. 18 The wall was built of jasper, while the city was pure gold, like clear glass. 19 The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every kind of jewel. The first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, 20 the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst. 21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

22 And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. 23 And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. 24 By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, 25 and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. 26 They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. 27 But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life."

4"And you know the way to where I am going."

Jesus here is not only talking about a physical location but also of a spiritual existence with the Godhead (Him, the Holy Spirit, and the Father).

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This is probably the most controversial and offensive concepts in the scripture to the carnal heart.

To the unspiritual heart it conveys:

- Intolerance
- Exclusivity
- Arrogance
- Hate

8 "Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." 9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves."

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Jesus again is capitalizing on the opportunity to reinforce His deity.

Hebrews1:1-3 "Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,"

John1:1-5 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

Colossians 1:15-18 "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church."

12 "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. 13 Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it."

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The miracles of Yeshua:

- Turns Water into Wine
- Heals an Official's Son
- Drives Out an Evil Spirit
- Heals Peter's Mother-in-Law
- First Miraculous Catch of Fish
- Cleanses a Man With Leprosy
- Heals a Paralytic
- Heals a Man's Withered Hand
- Raises a Widow's Son in Nain
- Calms a Storm

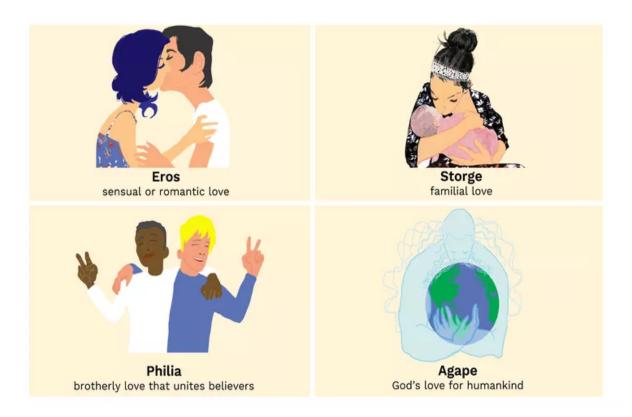
- Casts Demons into a Herd of Pigs
- Heals a Woman from a Hemorrhage
- Raises Jairus' Daughter to Life
- Heals Two Blind Men
- Gives a man speech
- Heals an Invalid at Bethesda
- Feeds 5,000
- Walks on Water
- Heals a Deaf and Dumb Man

Psam 37:3-6 "Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.

- **4** Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.
- **6** He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday."

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you."

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There is really only one kind of love in the Bible: <u>Agape love</u>. The Bible says that God *is* love.

1 John 4:7-12 "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us."

There is only one true love. It is God. Therefore, we must have God in order to love, i.e. The Holy Spirit.

16 "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper,"