



**Our Confidence in Christ
August 26, 2018**

John 14:1-15

1. Confident in Hope

John 14:1-6

1 Corinthians 15:54-55

2. Confident in Love

John 14:7-11

Exodus 33:18

Romans 8:15

3. Confident to Serve and Pray

John 14:12-15

John 5:19

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Jesus has to be and become ever more the center of my life. It is not enough that Jesus is my teacher, my guide, my source of inspiration. It is not even enough that He is my companion on the journey, my friend and my brother. Jesus must become the heart of my heart, the fire of my life, the love of my soul, the bridegroom of my spirit. He must become my only thought, my only concern, my only desire.

Henri Nouwen

- 1. As you read Nouwen's quote, what would your life look like if Jesus were the very center of your life?**
- 2. In the face of heartache, persecution, and death Jesus says, "Let not your hearts be troubled." How is that even possible?**
- 3. Poet George Herbert wrote, "Death used to be an executioner, but the gospel has made him just a gardener." How should that change the way we face life and death?**
- 4. What would it take for us to more clearly reflect Christ's love to others?**
- 5. What "greater things" could we pray for?**