

John 14 Study Guide

14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

Also in me: Jesus is exclusive. He is THE ONLY WAY.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

Mansions: Is Jesus talking about a new building or a new body?

(Read 2 Corinthians 5:1 and 1 Corinthians 3:16 KJV)

We are called the temple of God. In the time of Moses, the tabernacle was a temporary temple made like a tent so they could mobilize through the wilderness until they reached the promise land where eventually Solomon built the first temple out of stone.

Could this be a symbol of our temporary bodies on earth (wilderness) to our eternal bodies in heaven (promise land)?

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

The way, the truth and the life: What does this mean? "If ye know me, ye should have known my Father also:"

(Read Colossians 1:15)

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God the Father. Jesus was not created by the Father, He was begotten of the Father. The firstborn.

(Read Colossians 1:18)

Jesus is called the firstborn of the dead. What does this mean? If there is a firstborn of the dead, there must be a second born. (Preeminence means superiority.)

(Read James 1:18)

We are born again through His word. Begotten of God by believing in the word of truth. But why do we still sin or feel unrighteous or imperfect?

(Read John 6:63)

Our spirit comes alive. We are three in one like God. Spirit, soul and body (flesh). Our spirit “quickeneth” (comes alive) when we believe in the words Jesus speaks.

When our earthly bodies die, or fall asleep, (tent or tabernacle) we will be complete with our glorified bodies during the rapture.

(Read 1 Corinthians 15:52)

⁸ Philip saith unto him, Lord, show us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

⁹ Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?

¹⁰ Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

¹² Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

¹³ And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

¹⁴ If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

What are the works that Jesus is talking about?

(Read Matthew 11:2-6)

Jesus fulfilled these prophecies. Signs and wonders were for the Jews to examine and believe.

¹⁵ If ye love me, keep my commandments.

¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

¹⁷ Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

¹⁸ I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

How do the Gentiles know that they believe?

(Read Romans 2:14-15)

19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

How do you know you believe?

22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

The Father and the Son will abide in you by the Holy Ghost (Colossians 1:27-28)

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

25 These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.