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John 14:6 (NIV) ⁶Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

I had plans as to what was going to happen and when. I had prepared and was ready. However, inside I did not feel ready. Slowly, little things began to pile up and began to cause me some discomfort. I no longer felt peace about those plans. I knew I could go through with them, but discouragement seemed to surround me like a giant cloak. I prayed because I did not know how to do what I felt I needed to do. I told the Lord I did not know how to shed that cloak of discouragement, how to find the way out. Immediately, the Lord reminded me of today's verse. He told me, “I am the way. Follow me.”

We usually hear this verse read at funerals because Jesus has prepared a place for us to be with Him, and only He is the way to eternal life. Yet, as I stood there thinking about what He said, I realized that He is the Way in every aspect of our lives. I truly had no idea what to do next. I was not confused; I was flummoxed. So, I stood still, worshipped Him, and kept my eyes on Him. Then, something amazing began to unfold. I felt that cloak of discouragement fall away and felt the cloak of righteousness adorn my shoulders. I was no longer worried about what to do or how to do it as Jesus was showing the way. We did not end up where I had planned, nor did we take the route I had pictured. Instead, we arrived at a place that we had not imagined but was amazing. Jesus is the Way. He is not a way. He is not like a GPS to Whom we turn when we get lost. He is the way through trials and the way to great blessings. When we follow Him, we travel in His truth that always leads us to life as He ordained it.