

John 14: 1-7 – A Prepared Place

Last week our focus was on Jesus being “The Way.”

1. Jesus is the only WAY
 - a. How considered politically incorrect, and unpopular
2. Learn that these are words of INSTRUCTION.
 - a. Jesus is the TRUTH
 - b. God’s Truth does not change! It does not depend on your opinion or belief -Does not need to be defended-SIMPLY PROCLAIMED & LIVED OUT!
 - c. Truths such as Unity, Holiness & Heaven-Church of God proclaims-motto
 - i. Must be more than a motto. Unity & Holiness are essential to restoring our relationship with the Father, through Jesus--so that someday we may make Heaven our home.
3. “I go to prepare a place for you”
 - a) Words of COMFORT- tender, compassionate & loving
 - b) Does not condemn or accuse
 - c) A lesson we need to learn -*cannot beat people over head with our Bible & cause them to seek Jesus. -*Most people know they are sinners; you don’t have to tell them.
4. Look at other side of Jesus Statement- (Read scripture... “In my Father’s House are many mansions (rooms) I go to prepare a place for you...”I go to prepare a place for you
 - a. this is a prepared place of love... for a prepared people, who are loved
 - b. To his disciples-This is for YOU; you who accept my love & my call.
 - c. Not for everybody-only for his followers
 - d. Do we get that? This is a PERSONAL thing! It’s a SPECIAL, Place He is preparing! Out of His great love for you! And wants you to be where He is!
 - e. He wants YOU to Make IT THERE. He prays that you will make it there!
 - a. Look at John 17—He is praying for YOU & For ME!
5. Bible speaks of another “prepared place.”
 - a. A place without grace or love

1. Matthew 25 – 41-46 (read text)
 2. Revelation 20:10-15 (read text)
- b. Another very unpopular teaching, but still truth!
 1. Jesus is very clear that God’s grace is offered; calling into unity with the Father has a direct correlation with accepting Him and doing what he teaches.
 2. Those who reject Jesus and refuse his teachings are doomed to eternity outside the Father’s prepared house
6. Satan - Hater of Love; He is not for YOU; doesn’t care for you! He’ll use you! He’s just against God!
 - a. If you find yourself in Hell it is not because God rejected “Grace;”
 - b. God’s “Grace” is offered to whosoever will
 - c. It’s because WE, REJECTED “GRACE” (when we refuse to accept His Son Jesus Christ.)
 - d. God does not send a person to hell; they volunteer to go by rejecting the call of Christ
 7. What about those who never hear? God’s Word is truth
 - a. God will make a way where there seems to be no way
 - b. God does not create mandates that are not paid for in full (government mandates to cities, counties, states are often un-funded) John 3:16 funding!
 - c. GOD WILL MAKE A WAY- AND IT WILL BE THROUGH JESUS - We cannot create inclusions that accommodate those who “refuse” to hear
 8. Jesus has made preparations...your invitation is being extended...Come now is your opportunity to respond...you don’t have to be troubled anymore.
 - a. Your place is prepared and ready.
 - b. So we are left with the age old, yet seemingly timeless question to all of mankind... “WHERE WILL YOU SPEND ETERNITY?”