

PRESENCE OVER PLACE John 13:36-14:14

- I am going away.

- You are going to stay.

- I will send you the Holy Spirit.

JOHN 13:36-38

36 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered him, "Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward." 37 Peter said to him, "Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you." 38 Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.

"Sadly, good intentions in a secure room after good food are far less attractive in a darkened garden with a hostile mob. At this point, Peter's intentions and self-assessment vastly outstrip his strength."

JOHN 14:1

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me."

I can trust the plan of God because I can trust the person of God.

JOHN 14:2-4

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."

JOHN 14:5-7

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."



"I am the Way, said one who would shortly hang impotent on a cross. I am the Truth, when the lies of evil people were about to enjoy a spectacular triumph. I am the Life, when within a matter of hours his corpse would be placed in a tomb."

JOHN 14:8-11

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?

JOHN 14:8-11

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.

JOHN 14:12-14

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.

"In Jesus Christ, we see high majesty yet deep humility, strong sense of justice yet infinite mercy, tenderness yet with no weakness, boldness without any harshness, humility without any uncertainty, unbending conviction yet totally approachable, insisting on truth yet bathed in love, power without insensitivity, integrity without rigidity, passion without prejudice. He's divine and human. He's a lion and a lamb."

> JONATHAN EDWARDS, The Excellency of Christ

PSALM 34:8

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!