

Jesus' Comfort

John 14:1-6

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

What a confusing, depressing night! Their Lord and Master washes their feet like a slave. He tells them the unthinkable that one of them will betray him. Then Jesus tells Peter, the boldest of the Twelve, that this very night, before the rooster crows at sunrise, Peter will deny knowing him. What a confusing, depressing night! Looking around at his disciples, Jesus knows just how troubled and shaken they are.

He knows how we get shaken up too. He knows the circumstance that crush us, problems that confound us, and the pressures that weigh on us. Yet through it all; he is always at our side. Jesus tells us to turn our eyes away from our problems and focus our attention on him. Believe in God the Father and believe also in Jesus. He assures us that we will not always live in this world of hurt, pain and sorrow, but he is preparing a safe, joyous and wonderful place for us to live with him forever.

We know where we are going because Jesus is the Way to heaven. He came to this earth not to be our example to guide us to heaven by our good living, but to earn heaven for us by his perfect life, innocent death and glorious resurrection. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, bring peace to my troubled heart and mind, and give me the Spirit that I may believe in you always. Amen