

Giving Another Advocate who Will Stay w/ You Forever (John 14:1–18)
Jaunting through John (Message 38)

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INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND AND REVIEW:

The Last Discourse: John 13:1–17:26

Part 1: The Upper Room Discourse: 13:1–14:31 (Note 14:31: *Let's leave this place*)

Part 2: Discourse after Leaving the Upper Room (15:1–17:26) (Note 18:1: *He went out*)

NEW EXPOSITION

(14:1) Rather than being distressed, Jesus urges them to believe in both the Father & in Himself

A. The verb *tarassō* (*to distress*) also appears in John 5:4, 7. It means *stir up, agitate*.

It was not sinful for Jesus to be distressed (*tarassō*: 11:33; 12:27; 13:20).

Why is it sinful for the eleven to be distressed (*tarassō*: 14:1, 27)?

2. This verse has the word *believe* twice. I now view both uses as commands.
Both times, the form is *pisteuete*.

The form *pisteuete* can be an imperative or an indicative. Each clause could be a statement or it could be a question.

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| 1a. <u>Believe</u> in God | (imperative) |
| 1b. <u>You believe</u> in God | (indicative) |
| 1c. <u>Do you believe</u> in God? | (indicative in a question) |
| 2a. <u>Believe</u> also in Me | (imperative) |
| 2b. <u>You believe</u> also in Me | (indicative) |
| 2c. <u>Do you also believe</u> in Me? | (indicative in a question) |

These translations take it as two commands:

ASV ESV Logos21 (Living Water) NAS NIV NRS RSV TNT Young

These translations take the first as a statement, the second as a command:

Darby Geneva KJV NAB NJB NKJ NLT Webster

The command to believe does not mean that they are unbelievers
(cf. John 13:10–11. 30; 15:3)

(14:2–3) Christ is going away to prepare a place for the eleven among the many dwelling places of His Father’s home so He can come back to receive them and so they can always be with Him; as He has always indicated

I do not take this as a clear prophecy of the rapture. Jesus comes for the church at one time and for Israel at another. The statement is general in nature.

Recently, I have taught on the rapture in the 1 Thessalonians series. You may want to listen to the messages on: 1 Thes 4:13–18 and on 5:1–11.

(14:4–6) Jesus said that they knew where He was going & they knew the Way; Thomas said they knew neither where He was going nor did they know the way, but Jesus says that He is the Way (to the Father), the Truth & the life, so all who come to the Father come thru Him.

(14:7–8) Jesus said that truly knowing Christ involves knowing the Father, so they will know the Father, because they have seen Him (through seeing Christ), but Philip requested to see the Father

(14:9) Jesus told Philip that (for 3½ years) He has been with the eleven, Philip should know the Father, because he has seen Christ, so he should not think that Jesus needs to show them the Father

(14:10) They should believe that Christ is in the Father and the Father is in Him, so He does not speak on His own authority, but speaks with the authority of the indwelling Father who works through Christ

(14:11) They need to believe that He is in the Father and the Father is in Him; Christ's works should convince them of this.

(14:12) Each of the eleven who do (in fact) believe in Him will do the same & greater works than Christ has done, because [the Holy Spirit will come] after Jesus departs to the Father

(14:13–14) Whatever the eleven ask in His Name, He will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son

(14:15) They will show their love for Christ by keeping His commandments

(14:16–18) He will ask the Father to send another Advocate, so that [the Holy Spirit] will stay with them forever, but only believers can receive Him and the eleven know Him and He will stay with them and be in them, so Jesus is not leaving them as orphans, but He will come again to them

CONCLUSION

Jesus told them that His departure did not mean that He was abandoning them: their destiny is secure, the Father and the Son would love them and abide with them as they kept His commandments, and He would ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to remain with them forever.

Summary

Messages prior to January 17, 2009, contain summaries that start with 1:1. Consult an earlier message for portions of summary not included here.

<p>Heal Lame Man: 5:1–15: On Sabbath JC told lame man to walk. Officials scolded & sought to confront healer</p> <p>Heal Lame Man: 5:16–23: Judeans seek to kill JC as blaspheming sabbath-breaker, He imitates Father to do greater works.</p> <p>Honor Father by Honoring Son: 5:24–30: Wants foes to live (if believing); will be condemned (if disbelieve)</p> <p>2+ Witnesses: 5:31–47: JC, impartial GWT Judge, isn't accuser nor is J-Baptist, so works, Father, Bible & Moses accuse</p> <p>Bread of Life: JC asked where to buy food for crowd; prayed & broke bread; they were satisfied & called Him <i>Prophet</i></p> <p>Walking on H₂O: 6:15–21: JC went up mount; 12 left by boat w/o Him; gale arose, JC walked on sea & entered boat</p> <p>JC = Bread of Life: 6:22–40: He told men (who found Him) to labor for food for EL & said God persuades that He is Father-sent heavenly bread, that gives the world life & secures bells forever (because He obeys the Father)</p> <p>Grumbling over Bread of Life: 6:41–59: JC said to stop grumbling, because, Living Bread gives life for world, but only gives EL to those drawn thru teaching, but they argued over what eating His flesh meant, so He said that (only if they eat/drink His flesh/blood) would they have EL & Christ would indwell, so lifegiving Bread differs from lifeless manna</p> <p>Grumbling over Bread of Life: 6:60–71: JC asked offended disciples how ascension would affect them & warned of lifeless leaders' words, but HS gives life thru word; & said some don't believe, which is why (apart from being granted thru the Father teaching) people can't believe JC; as many left, He asked 12 if they want to go, but Peter said JC has words of EL (that they believe) & JC said He chose them, even Judas</p> <p>Surprise Appearance at Booths: 7:1–36: Unbel bros say to go to Judea to get disciples, but His time not yet come. Some said He'd skip feast, but authoritative teaching glorifying GF amazed them (reaffirming right to heal on Sabbath)—some said no arrest since they knew He is Christ), arrest failed</p> <p>He Who Tabernacled w/ Us at Booths: 7:37–8:1: JC urged to drink of (believe) Him, so they (when HS came) would have living H₂O abundantly (fulfilling Booths): Division resulted; Nic' scolds rulers for bypassing legal inquiry</p> <p>Light of World Gives Adulteress Justice: 8:2–13: Phars ask JC if (per Law) should stone woman they brought; JC wrote on floor; said sinless one "Cast 1st stone;" accusers left; He taught crowd [& woman] that He is Light of world (unlike Pharisees); His followers walk in Light of life</p>
<p>Truth Will Free You: 8:14–32: JC's testimony is valid, because Father = 2nd witness; Pharisees don't know Father try to arrest Him; He will go where they can't; they will die if don't believe; they demand to know who He is; He affirms that He always said Father sent Him; but lifting Him (on cross) will show Father sent Him & abides w/ Him; many Judeans believed, so He said abide to be disciples—free from [legalistic] bondage</p>
<p>Abraham's Seed & Satan's Seed: 8:33–59: [Pharisees] retort that they aren't slaves, but JC said only He can free from sin; their desire to kill Him came from their father; they would love & believe Him if they were God's children, but they reject Him w/o disproving Him; they scoff when He said bells won't see death & Abe rejoiced to see His day</p>
<p>Healing Man Born Blind: 9:1–41: Sin didn't blind one born-blind, but blindness let God heal him, wash in Siloam & saw; people debate if is same man, said he is & sees, didn't know where JC is; told Phars how he sees; some say Sabbath breaker not of God, others deny sinner could heal, man said He = Prophet; parents say son born blind; Phars know he was blind; parents say ask of-age son; they oathed him & he said he now sees; they repeat query, he said they ignore him & don't want to follow Him; they claim to follow Moses; don't know JC's origin, only healer of born-blind, but God doesn't use sinners, so He is of God; they called him born in sin & banned him; JC asks if he believes in God's Son; after saying He = God's Son, he believed; He came so blind may see, sighted may be blind; Pharis scoff at being blind; culpable because say they see</p>
<p>Good Shepherd: 10:1–21: Leaders misunderstand Good Shepherd, whom gateman lets into pen (vs. sneaky rustlers); sheep follow Him, not coercive strangers; so He retold it: He is entryway; earlier shepherds bully, steal & kill sheep, but He even dies for sheep (vs. hirelings who let wolves steal/scatter); He knows sheep/they know Him, as He knows God who knows Him—He dies for sheep & has other (non-Judean) sheep who hear Him who makes 1-flock/1-shepherd; God loves Him, because (for sheep) He dies to be raised (no one takes His life), but He lays it down to take it up—as God commands; some called Him crazy demonic; others denied His speech was demonic & demon can't make blind see</p>
<p>At Hannukah: 10:22–39: Judeans demand if He is the Christ; He said they disbelieve His words, but works in Father's name also testify; they disbelieve because not of His sheep; Shepherd guarantees sheep (bells) EL & can't lose it, because Father & Son (in union) secure them; He asked (as they try stoning) which good work led to seeking His death; said they seek His death for making self God; He said God (ψ 82⁶) calls (wicked judges) gods; Bible is always true; so Father-sent One doesn't blaspheme in calling self God's Son; if He didn't do Father's works, they should disbelieve, but Father's works lead to believing His words (2nd witness) that Father & Son are united; they again seek His death, but He escaped</p>
<p>Lazarus' death: 10:40–11:16: Rec'd word that Laz sick; said illness not to death, but will glorify God; when (2 days later) He planned to go to Laz, 12 said Judeans seek death; said still is day (time to live) & He needs to wake Laz & it is good He was not there, so they would believe</p>
<p>Resurrection & Life: 11:17–37: JC came 4 days after Lazarus' burial; many mourners present; Martha hurried to meet Him; Mary stayed home; Martha said JC would have stopped Lazarus' death, if He were there; God answers His prayers; He said Lazarus will rise; she agreed; He said that He is resurrector & grantor of EL; asked if she believed; she affirmed this, because she believes He is Christ, God's Son, whom [God sent] to earth; she said that JC wants to see her, Mary went quickly to Him; some said she went to tomb & followed; Mary worshipped Jesus & said He would have stopped Lazarus' death, if He were there; crying of Mary & others moved JC w/ empathy, so He asked where they put Lazarus; they said <i>Come & see</i>; JC also wept, so some said He greatly loved Lazarus; others asked why He let Lazarus die (since He healed blind man)</p>
<p>Raising Lazarus: 11:38–57: Said <i>Open Tomb</i>; Martha spoke of stench; reminds re God's glory, if she believed He'd raise Laz; tomb opened; thanks God He always hears Him (saying this) so they might believe God sent Him; told Laz, <i>Come out</i>; did so bound; said <i>free him</i>; many believe; some told Phars (who try) to stop Him, lest Rome take their position & nation; Caiaphas urged His death for nation (prophecying His death giving Jewish bells life/gather in one flock); rulers want His death; went to Ephraim; feast's earlybirds said He'd avoid feast, because APB</p>
<p>Anointing & Entry: 12:1–19: At Bethany a meal was fixed for Jesus, Lazarus & others; Martha served; when Mary anointed His feet, Judas feigned concern for the poor & scolded her, but Jesus defended her; pilgrims came to Jesus & Lazarus because He raised him; officials sought Lazarus' death also, He rode donkey to Jerusalem, throngs hearing Lazarus was raised laid palm fronds before Him, leaders sought His death.</p>
<p>Helenized (Jews) at Passover 12:20–26: some asked to meet Jesus; He told Philip & Andrew that the hour of His glorification had come: One seed dies in earth that many seeds may sprout to life; loving the mortal life has detrimental effects on the immortal life; hating the mortal life enhances the immortal life; the Father will glorify servants who follow Jesus (where He goes)</p>
<p>Who Believes Rept? 12:27–43: Didn't ask to avoid cross, because came to die; asks for God's glory (God said He did so/will do so); voice was to benefit them; judging world involves Satan's defeat, cross to draw people to JC; object that Christ has EL; He said believe & be enlightened/regenerate before He leaves; He left; disbelief tho seeing signs fulfills Isa 53 & Isa 6, but many rulers believe & fear exclusion</p>
<p>His Command is EL: 12:44–50: Believing in JC logically entails believing in GF, who sent Him; seeing GF logically entails seeing JC, the Light of the world who enlightens bells; His words (from GF commanding EL) is what will judge unbels</p>
<p>Washing the Disciples' Feet: 13:1–20: JC (who knew He would soon leave) loved His own, when Passover was served, after the devil led Judas to betray Him, He began washing the 12's feet, but Pet objected; JC said refusal would disqualify him from a portion (inheritance) w/ JC; Pet offered also his hands & head; JC said bathed persons (the 11) only need footwashing, because he is already clean; JC asked if they understood; He, their Teacher and Lord, became their servant (washing feet) so they would serve one another; they are not greater than their master, so the 11 will be blessed if (knowing these things) they serve each other; He did not say this about Judas, whom Scripture said ate w/ JC & would rebel; the prediction was so the 11 would believe; the one who receives them actually receives Him and the one who receives Jesus actually receives the Father who sent Him</p>
<p>Predicting Betrayal & Denial: 13:21–38: JC's words about one of them being His betrayer puzzled them, John asked JC the betrayer's identity; JC said it was the one He would give bread & bitter herbs; Satan entered Judas when he received it; JC said to do things most quickly (the 11 thought Jesus sent him on an errand); Judas left; JC said both Father & Son are glorified; He will be with 11 briefly, so they won't find Him & can't (yet) follow Him to death; JC commanded them to love one another as He loved them; showing they were His disciples; Peter asked JC where He was</p>

going; Jesus said he can't now follow Him; Peter pledged to die for JC; He said Peter would deny Him thrice before cock crows