

The Way, the Truth, and the Life

John 14:1-9

John 12:1-9
Jesus Anointed For Burial

John 12:20-36
Jesus Predicts His Death

John 13:18-30
Jesus Predicts his Betrayal



33 “My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: **Where I am going, you cannot come.**”

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36 Simon Peter asked him, “Lord, where are you going?”

Jesus replied, “**Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later.**”

37 Peter asked, “Lord, why can’t I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”

38 Then Jesus answered, “Will you really lay down your life for me? Very truly I tell you, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times!

(John 13:33, 36-38)





The “place” that Jesus is going is to a sacrificial death.

“Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow **later**.” (John 13:36)



[24] Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel
of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it
remains only a single seed. But if it
dies, it produces many seeds. [25]
Anyone who loves their life will lose it,
while anyone who hates their life in
this world will keep it for eternal life. [26]
Whoever serves me must follow me;
and **where I am**, my servant also will
be.

(John 12:24-26)

[1] “**Do not let your hearts be troubled**. You believe in God; believe also in me.

[2] My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that **I am going there to prepare a place for you**? [3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

(John 14:1-3)





I will be away for a time.
But I am fully committed to you.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You believe in God; believe also in me." (John 14:1)

4 **You know the way** [to the place] where I am going.”

5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

6 Jesus answered, “**I am the way and the truth and the life.** No one comes to the Father except through me.

(John 14:4-7)



7 If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

8 Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

9 Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? **Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father**. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?

(John 14:7-9)





We will be called to this same "place," the sacrificial "way," because this is what God looks like.

"You **know the way** [to the place] where I am going."
(John 14:4)

34 “A new command I give you: Love one another. **As I have loved you, so you must love one another.** 35 By this everyone will know that you are my **disciples**, if you love one another.”

(John 13:34-35)





[1] Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing
out murderous threats against the
Lord's **disciples**. He went to the high
priest [2] and asked him for letters to the
synagogues in Damascus, so that if he
found any there **who belonged to the
Way**, whether men or women, he
might take them as prisoners to
Jerusalem.

(Acts 9:1-2)



WILL WE

Trust the Way.

Belong to the Way.