# "Home"

## John 14:15-24

- Home. What do you think of when you think of Home? To make a house a home.
  - Rest? A safe place? For some it may not be a good memory, so imagine with me, what should "home" be like?

#### **CONTEXT**

"We need to talk" Jesus

- Jesus just said this... Read 14:2-3
  - Imagine that "Home". (Describe heaven)
    - Did you know we have a piece of that this side of heaven?

Today I want you to simply hear and hopefully believe some truths and promises that Jesus says. That is your application. Listen, hear, believe.

The word "believe" is said 99 times in the Gospel of John, to give perspective, over a third of its uses is found in the Gospel of John alone.

- Read Vs. 15
- This is not an imperative (command). It's a condition, but it's based on 2 indicatives.
  - Do you love Jesus? Then you will keep his commands

"If you are loving me with a divine and self-sacrificial love, the commandments which are mine you will keep." 1 NT Greek Expanded Version

It's an order of things. "I need to just love God more"... maybe, but that's not the point, **Read Vs. 21a,** I need to obey more... Maybe, but that's not the point.

It boils back down to this... Do you believe? Believe what? 1 John 5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The New Testament, An Expanded Version by Kenneth S. West

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world–our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? 1 John 5:3-5

True faith in the true Christ that you may have true life.

# You don't need to just "figure it out," because you are not alone!

#### Read vs. 16-17

The Holy Spirit (More on him is 2 weeks!)

Spirit of Truth, the truth is...

-Theme of Home.

"With you and in you" FOREVER!

## Read vs. 18

"Orphan" is not just used as the parentless. The word means helpless.

"I will not leave you behind, helpless. I will come to you" <sup>2</sup>

Pursues us in our helplessness. Do you believe that?

#### Read vs. 19

Because I live, you will also live.

DO YOU BELIEVE???

"Because he lives, I can face tomorrow. Because he lives, all fear is gone!"

#### Read vs. 20-21

- Christ in us, and us in Christ!
  - Jesus loves us, the Father loves us. Saints, you are loved.

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# Do you believe?

Manifest: to cause something to be fully known by revealing clearly<sup>3</sup>

# Read vs. 22

- Judas' question shows his misunderstanding of Christs mission.
  - He wanted outward change; a ruling Messiah. But the true Christ changes the inside.

## Read vs. 23

God makes his home with us! The triune God!

- "We" & "our"

Christ in us, the hope of glory! The Spirit dwells in us, leading us to truth! The Father makes his home with us!

God will be...

With you and in you, forever.

He will not leave us in our helplessness

He pursues, he loves, he reveals, he meets us where we're at, and makes his home with us! WHY? Because he lives!

GOSPEL and INVITE to the Table-Read vs. 24

#### **COMMUNION**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996). *Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament: based on semantic domains* (electronic ed. of the 2nd edition., Vol. 1, pp. 337–338). New York: United Bible Societies.