

COMFORT IN JESUS

--JOHN 14:1-6--

INTRODUCTION:

John 14 has been called the comfort chapter because the whole chapter is the promise that Jesus Christ is the One who gives comfort. Not only the comfort in knowing that He is returning but also comfort for the present. Our comfort comes from trusting Jesus. In John 14:1-6 Jesus tells us to trust in His presence, to trust in His promises, and to trust in His person. I want to share these truths with you this morning to give you hope for the new year by trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I. TRUST IN JESUS

- a. Our passage takes place in the upper room where the disciples and Jesus are eating the _____ meal the night before His death on the cross.
- b. As you come to chapter 14 you must understand the _____ of Jesus.

II. TRUST IN MY PRESENCE (John 14:1)

- a. Jesus sees the troubled hearts of His disciples and He says to them and to us, “_____ in my presence.”
- b. Jesus wants to _____ their troubled hearts, and He begins by saying, “...*believe in God, believe also in Me.*” (John 14:1b, NASB95)
- c. After the resurrection Jesus appeared to the apostles, but _____ was not present. (John 20:29)
- d. Jesus promised to be with us _____, that He would never leave us or forsake us. (John 16:13-14)
- e. The first way in which Jesus comforts us is through an _____ that He is alive and present, though invisible. (1st Peter 1:8)

III. TRUST IN HIS PROMISES (John 14:2-3)

- a. The Lord Jesus moves from trusting in His presence to instruct His disciples and us to trust in His _____.

- b. There are many _____ places in the Father’s house.
- c. I do not know about you, but I feel bound to _____. (Philippians 1:21)
- d. He not only promises to go and prepare a place for us, but He promises to _____ back and get us and take us to be with Him. (John 17:24)

IV. TRUST IN HIS PERSON (John 14:4-6)

- a. In this passage Jesus had told us to trust in His presence and to trust in His promises, and finally He says, “Trust in my _____.” (John 10:9)
- b. They did not fully understand what happened after death, so how could they know the _____ to the Father?
- c. Jesus tells the disciples and us that He is the _____, you need to know Me, My person, because as the Way I am coming to get you.
- d. Jesus said, “_____ Me, you do not need a map, I am the way, the truth, and the life.

CONCLUSION:

Where do we find comfort in 2025? We find comfort in trusting Jesus Christ. It is true that He is coming again and that coming could be at any moment. This is our great hope, this is what we wait for in anticipation, but in the very anticipation of His return there is comfort in the present because He is here now, though not visible, but He is here in the person of the Holy Spirit. We can trust His promises because He is the truth and as the truth His promises are guaranteed. Jesus Christ is preparing a place for us, and He will return and take us there. We can trust His person because He is the way to the Father’s house, He is the truth in the present world and in the world to come, and He is the life. He is here, His promises are sure, and His person is all we need for this and the life to come that is eternal. Now that’s comfort!