



## The Way, the Truth, and the Life

John 14:1-6 (ESV) <sup>1</sup> **“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.”** <sup>2</sup> *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?* <sup>3</sup> *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.* <sup>4</sup> *And you know the way to where I am going.”* <sup>5</sup> *Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?”* <sup>6</sup> *Jesus said to him, **“I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.***

### The Seven I am Statements of Jesus in John’s Gospel

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| 1. I am the Bread of Life (John 6:35)           | 5. I am the True Vine (John 15:1-5)                         |
| 2. I am the Light of the World (John 8:12, 9:5) | <b>6. I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6)</b> |
| 3. I am the Gate for the Sheep (John 10:7)      | 7. I am the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:25)          |
| 4. I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11)          |   |

1. This is the **farewell** discourse of Jesus to His disciples.
2. John 14:1-6 is one of the most loved passages in the New Testament.
3. It is frequently read at **funerals** for the comfort, peace, and encouragement it provides.
4. The context of these words provides an even **deeper** meaning for daily living.
5. Jesus gives assurance that **walking in Him, learning from Him, and living in Him** will give strength to live victoriously even when troubling times come.

## 1. The world produces many circumstances that trouble your heart

1. Jesus himself had experienced a troubled soul and spirit.

John 11:33 (ESV) *When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, **he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled.***

John 12:27-28 (ESV) <sup>27</sup> **“Now is my soul troubled.** *And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour.* <sup>28</sup> *Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.”*

John 13:21 (ESV) *After saying these things, **Jesus was troubled in his spirit,** and testified, “Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.”*

2. You **will have** experiences that trouble your spirit—just don't linger there. Don't let your troubles get into your heart. (The world is filled with heartache and true injustice)
3. The disciples were **troubled by the words of Jesus** concerning what was about to happen:
  - a. Jesus announced He would be **betrayed** by one of them 13:21
  - b. Jesus announced **He was leaving** soon. 13:33-35
  - c. Jesus announced **Peter** would deny knowing Him. 13:38

## **2. Jesus provides the antidote for troubled hearts-Trust in the Father and in the Son**

1. Trust God to **sustain** you. 14:1
2. Trust in the Father and the Son to **provide** for you. 14:2
3. Trust in the **promise** of Jesus. 14:3
4. Trust in Jesus to get you to your **destination**. 14:6
5. Trust in the truth of God's Word and live in **obedience**. 14:23
6. Trust in the Holy Spirit to **teach** you and **guide** you in the ways of God. 14:25

*Are you looking for **affirmation** from God or **direction**?*

The outcome of trust God:

**John 14:27 (ESV) <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.**