

In the Storm

“Comfort in the Storm”

Sunday, April 5, 2020 – Online Sermon

Text: John 14:1-6

Introduction

People are stressed – worried and anxious.
There are a lot of **unknowns** in the world right now.
Worry and anxiety have **always** been around – since the fall of Adam and Eve.

Jesus has been **teaching – showing – and explaining** Himself to the disciples for 3 full years.

1. He is **preparing** them for the hour of His **death**.
2. Jesus knows that they are about to go through the **darkest hours** of their lives.
3. They had **left all** – to follow Him.
4. Soon – they will have **no more** leader beside them.
5. Jesus had just **informed** them that → one of them would **betray** Him.

Death was about to hit them in the face.

Jesus said to them – **“Let not your heart be troubled.”**

“Let me show the source of comfort in the storm.”

Read John 14:1-6

I. COMFORT BECAUSE OF A PERSON – V. 1

Jesus points to **Himself** as the **object** of comfort.

Jesus is saying – “**Trust Me!**”

Trust goes much deeper than belief.

- **Belief** can be cold and intellectual.
- **Trust** is warm and personal.

Jesus is saying that He is God just as **God** is God.

“Let not your heart be troubled” can only occur when we **believe in God - believe in Jesus.**

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TROUBLED TIMES – IS TO TRUST IN CHRIST.**

II. COMFORT BECAUSE OF A PLACE – V. 2

Paul said – “For me to live is Christ – to die is gain.”

HOW CAN IT BE GAIN?

1. We gain a better body.
2. We gain a better home.
3. We gain a better fellowship.

III. COMFORT BECAUSE OF A PROMISE – V. 3

He gives us a wonderful promise

Jesus’ promise = I **go** to **prepare** it.

Jesus promises He’s coming back to take them to Heaven.

IV. COMFORT BECAUSE OF A PLAN – Read V. 6

□ Jesus gives the concise plan for comfort.

- Comfort for the **present** and comfort for the **future**.

HE ANSWERS 3 QUESTIONS THAT BRING COMFORT

A. How can I be saved? – “I am the way.”

John 3:36 – “He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.”

1 Corinthians 3:11 – “For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”

1 John 5:12 – “Whosoever has the Son hath life and whosoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.”

Acts 4:12 – “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none

B. How can I be sure? – “I am the truth.”

C. How can I be satisfied? – “I am the life.”

John 5:24 – “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.”

John 14:27 – “Peace I leave with you – my peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, giveth I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid.”

When security, confidence, jobs, retirement, health are things being stripped away from us, is Jesus enough?

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