



# Studies for making fully devoted followers of Christ

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# Jesus and the Holy Spirit John 14 Pastor Kirk Gambrell

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### Using This Study

#### EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

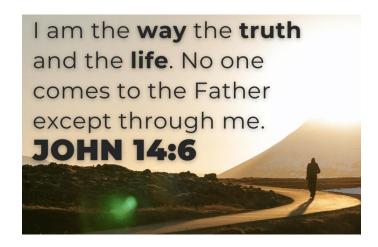
#### EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

#### **8** EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.





This week we will study John Chapter 14. Jesus tells His disciples that He is going to prepare a place for them and that if they know Him they know the Father and the way to the Father. He also promises the Holy Spirit and gives the instruction that if you love me you will obey my commandments. The Spirit is sent to bless us and teach and guide us. Join us this week as we talk about what Jesus is preparing for us and what He has already given us in the Holy Spirit.

# **Jesus' Parting Words to His Disciples**

**14** "Do not let your hearts be distressed. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> There are many dwelling places in my Father's house. Otherwise, I would have told you, because I am going away to make ready a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and make ready a place for you, I will come again and take you to be with me, so that where I am you may be too. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way where I am going."

<sup>5</sup> Thomas said, "Lord, we don't know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus replied, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you have known me, you will know my Father too. And from now on you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be content." <sup>9</sup> Jesus replied, "Have I been with you for so long, and you have not known me, Philip? The person who has seen me has seen the Father! How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you, I do not speak on my own initiative, but the Father residing in me performs his miraculous deeds. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father is in me, but if you do not believe me, believe because of the miraculous deeds themselves. <sup>12</sup> I tell you the solemn truth, the person who believes in me will perform the miraculous deeds that I am doing, and will perform greater deeds than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

## **Teaching on the Holy Spirit**

<sup>15</sup> "If you love me, you will obey my commandments. <sup>16</sup> Then I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever— <sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it does not see him or know him. But you know him, because he resides with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> "I will not abandon you as orphans, I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> In a little while the world will not see me any longer, but you will see me; because I live, you will live too. <sup>20</sup> You will know at that time that I am in my Father and you are in me and I am in you. <sup>21</sup> The person who has my commandments and obeys them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and will reveal myself to him."

<sup>22</sup> "Lord," Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "what has happened that you are going to reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" <sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and take up residence with him. <sup>24</sup> The person who does not love me does not obey my words. And the word you hear is not mine, but the Father's who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> "I have spoken these things while staying with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and will cause you to remember everything I said to you.

<sup>27</sup> "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; I do not give it to you as the world does. Do not let your hearts be distressed or lacking in courage. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I am. <sup>29</sup> I have told you now before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will not speak with you much longer, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me, <sup>31</sup> but I am doing just what the Father commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Get up, let us go from here.

# **• EXAMINE His Word (Observation)** (For personal preparation) What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details from this passage.

Make 10 of your own observations from this passage. Avoid jumping to make interpretive decisions or drawing applications. Save those for the sections that follow. At this point just observe this passage and what it says. Look for things that are emphasized, repeated, and what stands out to you. Look at the verbs, what actions are in the text? Who is involved in the text? There is no right or wrong answer, just list 10 things you see in the text.



| 2 | EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion) What does God MEAN?      |
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|   | 1. What is Jesus talking about when He says there are many places in my Father's house? (2) |
|   | 2. How is it possible for us to know the Father? (5-7)                                      |
|   | 3. Are Jesus and the Father the same? (8-11) explain  |
|   | 4. Are we able to perform greater miracles than Jesus? (12-14)                              |
|   | 5. What do followers of Jesus do in regards to Jesus' commandments? Why? (15-24)            |
|   | 6. Will the Holy Spirit teach us all we need? (25-26)                                       |
|   | 7. Who is the ruler of the world? (30)  |

| € | <b>EMBRACE His Word (Application)</b> (For Community Group discussion Why does this MATTER to me? |   |  |
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|   | 8.  | How do we learn from the Holy Spirit?           |  |
|   | 9.  | What is the main idea of this chapter?          |  |
|   | 10  | . How can you apply the main idea to your life? |  |

| Summarize your thoughts on the passage Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO |
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Sermon Notes