AGAPE HOUSE OF WORSHIP

Wednesday Bible Study- July 22nd, 2026

Part 24: I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: Assurance, access, prayer in his name

Text: John 14:1-14 (NIV) **Teacher:** Pastor Patrick Ahiadzipe

Introduction: Todays passage is one of the most comforting and significant passages in the Gospel of John. Jesus spoke these words during the Last Supper, only hours before his arrest and crucifixion. Jesus prepares his disciples for his departure by revealing his divine identity, assuring them of an eternal home with the father, calling them to continue his mission and assuring them of his return.

Objective: Todays bible study will help us to recognize Jesus as the only way to the father, and learn how to live with faith, hope, and confidence in his promises.

Jesus Comforts Troubled Hearts (John 14:1–4)

1“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4You know the way to the place where I am going.”

- Jesus begins this conversation by recognizing the fear and uncertainty in the hearts of his disciples and immediately directs them to place their confidence in both God the Father and in himself.
- Rather than allowing anxiety to control their thoughts, Jesus teaches that genuine faith in God's promises is the foundation for lasting peace. **Psalm 46:1**
- Jesus assures his followers that heaven is not merely an idea but a real and prepared dwelling place in his Father's house where believers will live with him forever. **Revelations 21:4**
- Jesus promises that he will return again and personally receive his followers so that they may be with him forever. **1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**

Question: How can trusting Jesus help you remain peaceful when you are facing fear or uncertainty?

Jesus, the Only Way to Salvation (John 14:5–7)

5Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” 6Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the father except through me. 7If you really know me, you will know my father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

Jesus Is the Way

Jesus declares that he is the only way by which sinful humanity can be reconciled to a holy God because his sacrificial death and resurrection provide the only sufficient payment for sin. Acts 4:12, 1 Timothy 2:5, Hebrews 10:19–22

Jesus Is the Truth.

Jesus does not merely teach truth; He is truth itself because He perfectly reveals God's character, fulfills God's promises, and embodies the fullness of God. John 1:14, John 8:31–32, John 17:17

Jesus Is the Life

Jesus is the source of both spiritual life and eternal life because through him believers are forgiven, spiritually reborn, and promised everlasting fellowship with God. John 10:10, John 11:25–26, 1 John 5:11–12.

Question: What does Jesus being "the way, the truth, and the life" mean for your relationship with God?

Jesus Reveals the Father (John 14:8–11)

8Philip said, “Lord, show us the father and that will be enough for us.” 9Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the father. How can you say, ‘Show us the father’? 10Don’t you believe that I am in the father, and that the father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the father, living in me, who is doing his work. 11Believe me when I say that I am in the father and the father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

- Jesus reveals God's holiness, love, mercy, grace, justice, compassion, and truth through his words, actions, and miracles. Colossians 1:15
- The unity between the Father and the Son demonstrates that Jesus shares the Father's divine nature while remaining personally distinct. John 10:30
- Christ's miraculous works provide visible evidence that the Father is working through him. Hebrews 1:3

Question: What can you learn about God's character by studying the words and actions of Jesus?

Greater Works and Prayer in Jesus Name (John 14:12–14)

12Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the father. 13And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

- Through the power of the Holy Spirit, believers participate in God's redemptive mission by proclaiming the gospel and making disciples among all nations. Acts 1:8
- Jesus promises to answer prayers that are offered in his name, meaning prayers that are consistent with his character, his authority, his mission, and his will. 1John 5:14–15

Question: How can you participate in Jesus' mission and help others learn about him?
Question: How can you make your prayers more focused on God's will and glory rather than only on your personal desires?