

# THE GOSPEL *of* JOHN

## CHAPTER 14:1-6

MEDIA REFERENCE NUMBER SM-410 MAY 27, 2001

---

THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**“Jesus is Coming Again”**

---

THE THEME OF THE BOOK:

John 1:12

**But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:**

---

TOPICAL SUBJECT SEARCH KEYWORDS:

**Comfort, Peace, Rapture, Hope, Prophecy**

---

**INTRODUCTION**

***to the text***

***John 14:1-6***

One of the Great Christian doctrines found in the Bible is that of the physical and personal return of Jesus Christ to the earth. Known as the Second Coming of Christ, it is an event that will forever change the world and man’s view of God.

The second coming of Christ is a day that the bible speaks of “as great and awesome day” and day in which Jesus will return in the sky “and everyone on this earth will see Him” as reappears to the nation Israel to establish the throne of David from Jerusalem just as the bible says he must do, a throne upon which he will rule over the nations of the earth for 1,000 years.

### **“Bible Students, Note This Well”**

Concerning the **first** and **second** comings of Jesus Christ – Both events are specifically directed toward the nation Israel and Israel is the Focus...

# His First Coming

**Malachi 3:1**

“...For the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple...”

**Fulfilled During the Week of Palm Sunday**

## His Second Coming

**But His Second Coming is Very Different:**

It follows a seven-year period of time known as The Great Tribulation. A time never seen demonic deception and catastrophic global events. This “Second Coming” is what the Bible says is a Terrible and Fearful time for all those that dwell on the earth.

**2 Peter 3:10**

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

**Revelation 1:7**

Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him.

**Acts 2:20**

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

**But the “Second Coming”**

is not what the Christian is looking forward to

**It’s John 14:1-6**

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE CHURCH, NOT ISRAEL, IT'S ALL ABOUT HOPE, NOT FEAR,  
IT'S ALL ABOUT GOING TO HEAVEN, NOT REMAINING HERE ON EARTH

## The Coming Again of Jesus Means

### 1.) *We Know His Peace*

*vv. 1*

"Let not your heart be troubled.  
you believe in God, believe also in Me.

### a.) *Peace in the Face of Life*

*v.1*

"Let not your heart be troubled.

**Let not** your heart be troubled.

Jesus' words imply that we **Let** our heart be troubled  
we naturally worry and fret over things  
- because we suffer from imperfect faith

\* troubled grk 5015 tarasso (tar-as'-so);  
to violently stir up. To shake to the breaking point

#### John 12:27

"Now My soul is **troubled**, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose, I came to this hour.

#### John 13:21

Then being **troubled** in spirit, and testified of the betrayal

#### John 14:27

"Peace, I leave with you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. **Let not your heart be troubled**, neither let it be afraid.

# Faith and Belief will cancel out Worry and Fear

**Philippians 4:6-7**

**Be anxious for nothing**, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

## The Fix-All for Worry and Fear Is prayer and praise

(but some of you will continue to call your analyst or call your horoscope)

Because You Have No Faith in God at All -  
You're not depending upon Him for  
anything

**1 Peter 5:6-7**

Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, 7 **casting** all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

### *We Know His Peace*

**b.) Peace in the Midst of Faith**

**v.1**

you believe in God, believe also in Me.

**Original Greek States**

**“You already believe in God – also in me, believe!”**

# THIS IS AN IMPERATIVE

*not a suggestion*

## **John 16:33**

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

## **John 14:27**

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

## **The Coming Again of Jesus Means**

### **2.) We Know Where We Belong**

**vv. 2**

**"In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. - I go to prepare a place for you.**

## **2 Corinthians 13:5**

**Examine** yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. **Test** yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? — unless indeed you are "disqualified." – found to be false!!!

# The "Wanting" to be in Heaven

Is the Hallmark, The Proof, That Christ Dwells in You

## **Philippians 1:23-24**

For I am hard pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. 24 Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you.

**2 Corinthians 5:8**

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

**2 Corinthians 5:1-2**

For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven,

***We Know Where We Belong***

**a.) *In Heaven***

**v.2**

**"In My Father's house...**

The House is in Heaven  
But not Heaven itself

**Psalm 33:13-14**

The LORD looks from heaven; he sees all the sons of men. 14 From the place of His dwelling He looks on all the inhabitants of the earth.

**The Kingdom**

**2 Peter 1:11b**

the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**The Inheritance**

**1 Peter 1:4**

the inheritance that incorruptible and undefiled that cannot fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

**The Country**

**Hebrews 11:16a**

But now there is a greater desire, that is, a heavenly country. Where God is not ashamed to be called their God...

## The city

**Hebrews 11:16b**

for He has prepared a city for them.

**Revelation 21:15-17**

The angel held in his hand a golden measuring stick to measure the city and its gates and walls. 16 When he measured it, he found it was a square as wide as it was long; in fact, it was in the form of a cube, for its height was exactly the same as its other dimensions-- 1,500 miles each way. 17 Then he measured the thickness of the walls and found them to be 216 feet across, the angel called out these measurements to me.

Enough room for the whole of mankind to live there – though many refused!

## The Paradise

**2 Corinthians 12:4**

Paul was caught up into Paradise

## The House

**John 14:2**

"The Father's house

## *We Know Where We Belong*

**b.) In Glory**

**v.2**

"....are **many mansions**; if it were not so,  
I would have told you.

**Grk mansions 3438 mone (mon-ay');**  
**A residence, a dwelling, a home**

There is no English word that defines “MONE” except the Old King James Translator’s Used Mansions because it was the closest word that could describe the context.

**??? IS IT TALKING ABOUT OUR ETERNAL  
BODY???**

**??? IS IT TALKING ABOUT AN ETERNAL  
STRUCTURE???**

**2 Corinthians 12:2-4**

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago-- whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows-- such a one was caught up to the third heaven. 3 And I know such a man-- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-- 4 how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

**HEAVEN IS A REAL PLACE**

*Gold* **for Asphalt up there...**

***We Know Where We Belong***

**c.) *it's guaranteed***

**v.2**

**- I go to prepare a place for you.**

**His Going Away is for their benefit  
And it is in direct relation to His coming back again**

**THIS IS VITAL CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE  
...and an essential to saving faith**

**To Be a Christian**

**You must believe that Jesus came and left and is coming again**

This is a reference to His leaving earth and going back to heaven and creating for us a place there...

But it's not with a hammer, it's not with construction as we know it

The "I GO" is "I AM GOING TO THE CROSS"  
and it is there that I will prepare the way

**John 13:1**

Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

**John 15:13**

"Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

**Acts 20:28**

...he bought us with his own blood.

Our access to heaven and to dwelling with God will be bought for us at the Cross

*"His Body and Blood Purchased for us our Access to God  
but it was His Cross that became the key to unlocked Heavens Door,"*

*- Jack Hibbs*

**The Coming Again of Jesus Means**

**3.) We Know that Heaven is Forever**

**vv. 3**

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself;  
that where I am, there you may be also.

## **Here in John 14:3**

Is the first New Testament reference/teaching of what is called  
the Rapture of the church

### **Introduced By Jesus Christ Himself**

Jesus' first coming

Jesus' resurrection and ascension to heaven / The church was born at Pentecost

Israel is reestablished as a nation / The rapture of the church

The antichrist engineers a 7-year peace agreement with Israel

and the Muslim world / this antichrist declares himself a deity

the global judgment upon the earth / the second coming of Christ /

the restoration of Israel / the millennial reign of Christ / this world is destroyed /

eternity begins

### ***We Know that Heaven is Forever***

**a.) *He's Made us a Promise***

**v.3**

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, **I will come again**

and that promise is.

## **I will come again**

and that theme of comfort  
is through scripture for us today

**JUST THINK**

we are so much closer to his return for the church than they ever were

# if I go

(Since I am Already in the act of Going)

## Verse 31

"Now (it's in Motion) the Son of Man is glorified,  
and God is glorified in Him.

## *We Know that Heaven is Forever*

**b.) He's invited us in**

**v.3**

"...and I will **receive** you to Myself"

- \* **receive** grk 3880 paralambano (par-al-am-ban'-o);  
to receive near, to bring near to the hip

### **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. 15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

## **Joined to the Hip of Jesus**

### **Titus 2:13**

Let us be looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

### **Hebrews 9:28**

so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

## **How Wonderful is This**

### **1 John 3:2-3**

Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

## **These Bodies of Ours Will Be Changed**

### **1 Corinthians 15:50-53**

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed-- 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

### **2 Corinthians 5:1**

For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

## ***We Know that Heaven is Forever***

**c.) *He's given us a home***

**v.3**

“...that where I am, there you may be also.”

## **The “There” is Heaven!**

### **1 Corinthians 2:9-10**

But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." 10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

**2 Corinthians 12:4**

...glories of which - it is not lawful for a man to speak of.

**“...that where I am (in heaven),  
there (in heaven) you will be also.”**

**The Coming Again of Jesus Means**

**4.) *We Know He's the Only Way***

**vv. 4-6**

"And where I go you know, and the way you know." 5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the father except through Me.

***We Know He's the Only Way***

**a.) *He has shown us the way***

**v.4**

"And where I go you know, and the way you know."

***Verse 5***

Thomas said to Him,  
"Lord, we do not **know where** You are going,  
and how can we **know the way**?"

**There are Two very Important Questions Asked in  
the Context**

**John 13:36**

By Peter

**Lord Where are you Going?**

(The answer is the cross)

**John 14:5**

By Thomas  
**We don't where and we don't know the way**  
(the cross and me)

**Matthew 17:22-23**

Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, 23 "and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up." And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

***We Know He's the Only Way***

***b.) He is exclusively God***

**v.6**

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

**The Way**

(There is no other way)

**The Truth**

(There is no other truth)

**The Life**

(There is no other life)

**Isaiah 43:10-11**

"I, even I, am the LORD, and besides Me there is no other savior.

**Hosea 13:4**

"I am the LORD your God ever since the land of Egypt, and you shall know no God but Me; for there is no Savior besides Me.

**1 John 4:14**

And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.

**1 Timothy 4:10**

For to this end, we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe.

**Luke 1:46-47**

And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord, 47 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

**Acts 4:12**

"Nor is their salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

**Philippians 2:9-11**

9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name, which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

---

THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**"Jesus is Coming Again"**

---

**1.) *We Know His Peace***

**vv. 1**

**2.) *We Know Where We Belong***

**vv. 2**

**3.) *We Know that Heaven is Forever***

**vv. 3**

**4.) *We Know He's the Only Way***

**vv. 4-6**

end of study