

Because He left us!

John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; **because I go** unto my Father. 13

And **whatsoever** ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, **that the Father may be glorified in the**

Son. 14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

15 **If** ye **love** me, **keep** my commandments. 16 And **I will** pray the Father, and he shall give you **another** Comforter, that he may **abide** with you for ever; 17 *Even* the **Spirit of truth;**

whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. 18 **I will not** leave you comfortless:

I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20 At that day ye shall know that **I am in my Father,** and **ye in me,** and **I in you.** 21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that **loveth** me: and he that **loveth** me

shall be **loved** of my Father, and I will **love** him, and will **manifest myself** to him. 22 Judas saith unto him, not

Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? **23** Jesus answered and said unto him, **If** a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and **we** will come unto him, and **make our abode with him.** **24** He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

- True salvation causes a change in a person **I John 3:7-10**
Little children, let no man deceive you: **he that doeth** righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. **8** He that **committeth sin is of the devil;** for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. **9** Whosoever is born of God **doth not commit sin;** for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. **10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil:** whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

- Who you are shows. Not that you are perfect but that you hunger to honor and glorify God!
- Those that love Jesus keep His commandments **15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.**
 - It is easy to talk loving Jesus but true love for Him exhibits itself in our actions
 - Our behavior affects our do
 - Love shows in your desire to please Him. **21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.**
- His Word is written on our hearts now
- We are indwelt by His Spirit
- We desire to obey because that is who we are
 - Real love motivates me to love His Word and to keep it or obey it **23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**

- Obedience to His Word shows who you are and if you do not love Him for real then you will not keep His sayings **24** **He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.**
 - Jesus shows us His love for the Father by His obedience to His Father's desires **31** **But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.** Arise, let us go hence.
 - The Trinity is clearly seen in this passage. We see the Father. We see Jesus, the Son. We see the Holy Spirit another Comforter
1. We will do greater works than He did! **14:12** **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go** unto my Father.
 - a. The men would stand up and be counted. Doing the job that He left them to do
 - b. They would have Holy Spirit power and direction! **14:16-18** **And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you**

another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. 18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

- c. They knowing their need would live more dependent on the Father and the power of the Holy Spirit 14:10
Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
- d. They would have the privilege of prayer and His promise that He would answer 13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.
- e. We know that they wait until the Holy Spirit comes on them in power Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.
Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy

Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

2. He gave us direct access in prayer **13** And **whatsoever** ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, **that the Father may be glorified in the Son.** **14** If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.
 - a. We are given permission to ask anything in His name
 - i. To ask in His name means that it would be something that He authorizes
 - ii. To ask in His name means that we have the permission and authority to ask it based on what the Scripture says
 - b. We are promised that if we ask anything in His name that He will do it
 - c. The purpose in this type prayer request was not that I get what I want or what gives me pleasure but rather that the Father might be glorified in the Son
 - d. Simply tagging “in Jesus name” on your prayer means nothing

- e. Jesus had a purpose of glorifying His Father and when we ask for things that will further His name, His kingdom, His cause, then He will answer
 - f. We will pray because without Him we know we can do nothing and we desperately need Him
 - g. We are told that we have not because we ask not
James 4:2 *Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.*
 - h. But we are also told that many of our prayers are not answered because they are prayed for the wrong reasons
James 4:3 *Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts.*
3. He gave us another Comforter **16** **And I will** pray the Father, and he shall give you **another** Comforter, that he may **abide** with you for ever;
- a. The Comforter, the Holy Spirit, comes as a gift from the Father
 - b. The comforter is the Spirit of truth **John 14:17** *Even the **Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because*

it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

i. The world can't receive the Holy Spirit nor does it understand the Holy Spirit

ii. We know Him **Romans 8:9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

1. We are in the Spirit and He dwells in us

2. If you do not have the Spirit you are not saved

3. All born again people are already indwelt by the Holy Spirit

iii. He dwells with us and in us

c. Though Jesus was leaving the planet He was not leaving His people. **18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**

d. Jesus might leave this earth via death but He wasn't dead and His death, resurrection, and life is what gives us life **19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.**

e. When Jesus sends the Comforter we will know these truths **20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.**

i. We know **Romans 8:14-16** For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the sons of God. **15** For ye have not received the spirit of **bondage again to fear**; but ye have received the **Spirit of adoption**, whereby we cry, **Abba, Father.** **16** The Spirit itself **beareth witness with our spirit**, that we are the children of God:

ii. We know that we are in Him

iii. We know that He is in us

iv. We know that Jesus is in God

v. Talk about eternal security

- Realize what a blest time you live in, you can be used of God in ways that those who lived with Him in His time couldn't
- Will you and are you taking advantage of that?
- Prayer is our access to the Father as real as being in the presence of Jesus Himself
- We are indwelt by God Himself, the Holy Spirit
- He changes us from the inside out

- We have power to live miraculous lives
- How is your relationship to God?
- Do you listen to the Holy Spirit as He works in your life?
- Are you sensitive to listen to Him and to allow Him to direct your life?
- We are not alone
- Are you more than just a member of this church? Are you really born again and indwelt by the Holy Spirit
- This is not in any way external but rather internal