

10—In My Father's House

11/6/22

INTRO:

I. → Communion: **1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

23 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

II. → **John 14:1-3**

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And 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."

III. John puts all Jesus' teaching at the last supper

BODY:

I. A Heart That Trusts

1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me."

Grk (*pisteúete*) Either indicative or imperative

A. We cannot know everything that the future has to offer.

1) **HEBREW AFTERLIFE VS. GREEK**

2) **1 Corinthians 13:12**

For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

3) **PEERING IN THE WINDOW ON A COLD NIGHT**

B. We have an eternal hope that carries us in the dark times.

1) **1 Thessalonians 4:13**

Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope.

2) **SITTING WITH PEOPLE ON THEIR DEATH BED**

II. **A House to Belong**

2 *"In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a **place** for you."*

A. What heaven will be like only staggers the imagination.

1) **1 Corinthians 2:9**

However, as it is written:

"What no eye has seen,

what no ear has heard,

and what no human mind has conceived"—

the things God has prepared for those who love him.

2) **THE HOPE OF HEAVEN—FROM THE 1800'S**

a) All-you-can-eat Feasts (the world was poor)

b) Mansions is from Latin *mansiones* (dwelling)

c) Ideal home life of the Victorian age

B. But we can trust that there is plenty of room for everyone.

1) **John 3:16**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

2) **IT IS NOT FOR US TO JUDGE—BUT TO SEND INVITES**

III. A Home That's Eternal

3 "I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am." Grk (*paralambáno*) bring near

A. We are separated for while, but we will be together again.

1) **John 13:36**

"Simon Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later."

2) **COCOON—AND YOU WON'T EVER DIE**

B. The greatest promise is the hope of being reunited again.

1) **1 Thessalonians 4:17-18**

And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

2) **SEEING DAD AGAIN**

OTHER SCRIPTURES:

John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Titus 1:2

In the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time.

2 Corinthians 5:7-8

For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

John 11:33-35

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. Jesus wept.

Hebrews 2:14-16

He too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might . . . free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.