

Teaching Outline

Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

John 14:15-31 (NLT)

¹⁵ “If you love me, obey my commandments.¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.

Jesus genuinely cares about their _____ - _____.

¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn’t looking for him and doesn’t recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. ¹⁸ No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you.¹⁹ Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live.²⁰ When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

Jesus is trying to help the disciples see *they will also have life beyond the grave.*

²¹ Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them.”

Accepting God’s commands and obeying them *is about a way of life.*

²² Judas (not Judas Iscariot, but the other disciple with that name) said to him, “Lord, why are you going to reveal yourself only to us and not to the world at large?” (a fair question) ²³ Jesus replied, “All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them.

Jesus is saying this “revealing” is _____ .

²⁴ Anyone who doesn’t love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me.²⁵ I am telling you these things now while I am still with you.²⁶ But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.

This promise of Jesus gives us confidence to believe that we can accept His commands and obey Him!

²⁷ “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.

We’re never going to find this _____ outside of a personal, loving, caring relationship with Him.

²⁸ Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again. If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am.²⁹ I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe.

Jesus doesn’t want them to lose heart!!

³⁰ “I don’t have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me,³¹ but I will do what the Father requires of me, so that the world will know that I love the Father. Come, let’s be going.

Jesus is still looking to make His _____ with people!

For further reflection: How confident am I that I can be a faithful follower of Jesus obeying all that He commands?

Closing Song: Holy Spirit, Have Your Way