

# *Certainty in Uncertain Times*

**John 13:21-14:2**

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Introduction:

- Super Bowl 50—Prediction as to who will win!
- Our future plans are tentative, subject to change without notice!

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### **A. Uncertain Times for Jesus' Disciples**

1. The Disciples' Great Plans for Jesus
  - a. Jesus Christ presents Himself as the Messiah in triumphal entry!—Daniel 9:26; Zechariah 9:9
  - b. The people acknowledge Jesus as Messiah-King Lk. 19
  - c. Disciples' vision of grandeur—Matt. 19:28
2. The Disciples' Great Plan Unraveling
  - a. *"One of you will betray me"*-- John 13:21-29
  - b. *"Where I am going you cannot come"*—John 13:31-33
    - 1) Glorification of the Son through His death—John 12:23-24
    - 2) Disciples feeling abandoned by Jesus
  - c. *"Peter will deny Me three times"*-- John 13:36-38
    - 1) Satan's desire to sift Peter—Luke 22:31-32
    - 2) Peter the least likely candidate to deny Christ.
  - d. Other upper room happenings which unhinged them
3. The Disciples' "Troubled Hearts"—John 14:1

### **B. Certainty in Uncertain Times**

1. Simple solution: TRUST ME—John 14:1
2. Three Certain Truths in Uncertain Times
  - a. The Certainty of HEAVEN—John 14:2
    - 1) *"My Father's House"*
      - a) As a Celestial Temple—John 2:16; Revelation 7
      - b) As a Celestial City—Revelation 21
        - (1) Descends from heaven—New Jerusalem
        - (2) Description of the beauty—Rev. 21:21-23
        - (3) Size?—Revelation 21:26
    - 2) Benefits of being "heavenly-minded" today
      - a) Keeps us from becoming attached to present world!
      - b) Encourages us to trust Jesus TODAY!