

“I Go to Prepare a Place for You”

John 14:1-3

Jesus speaks peace, comfort, and assurance to His own:

1. A Word of Exhortation

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(1) The Disciples’ State of Heart

*“Let not your heart be troubled;
you believe in God, believe also in Me.”*

- Troubled! Perplexed!
- They dread any thought of separation!

(2) The Remedy: “Believe in God! Believe in Me!”

- 1- To trust in Jesus is to trust in the living God – *equivalent* objects of trust!

- 2- Faith in God *cannot be separated from* faith in Christ

2. A Word of Assurance - A particular word held out to faith

vv. 2-3

(1) Jesus’ Knowledge

*“In My Father’s house are many dwelling places;
if it were not so, I would have told you.”*

- 1- A wonderful declaration!

A perfect knowledge of heavenly realities!
Based upon the Son’s perfect intimacy with the Father

- 2- A permanent home for God’s children! An eternal home; eternal rest!

(2) Jesus’ Work of Love

“I go to prepare a place for you.”

- 1- This to further address the disciples’ question and perplexity

-2- How does Jesus “prepare” a place for us?

- By completing that work which the Father had given Him to do.

-3- A place, yes, but *so much more* than a place!

A permanent dwelling with God
God dwelling in us and us in Him.
The removal of sin and all of its effects!

(3) Jesus’ Sure Return

*“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.”*

- 1- In view: The *Final destiny* of the Saints

-2- Another separation was to take place:

Jesus would not be *physically present* with His Church
But the Spirit of Christ would wonderfully supply the presence of Christ to His church.
The risen and exalted Christ is present with His church to the end of the age.

- 3- One day soon, no more separation *of any kind, forever!*

Further Application: