

Obedience & Indwelling

John 14:15-27

Introduction: 2 Things: First, Jesus' promises are not to the world, (16-17, 19, 22). Second, God's love for us is different than his love for the world (15-16, 21, 23)

Concept: The gift; the Holy Spirit, which the world cannot understand and a love that the world does not comprehend.

The Trinity - Jesus is speaking as if his men understand who the Father is, who the Son is and now he instructs them and us in the coming Holy Spirit. (13:36; 14:1, 27; 16:17).

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Precept: The Truth of the Father, Son and now the Holy Spirit (16-17), the third member of the trinity, points to the trinitarian nature of truth.

Concept: The 'experience' of the indwelling Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit would transform people causing them to "keep my commandments".

Precept: A sure witness of Christ in me is a growing obedience to Christ; nonetheless, loving Jesus does not equal obeying Jesus.

Conclusion: 4 Statements/Promises:

14:16-17, 25-26 - The Holy Spirit will teach you and you won't forget things that I taught you.

14:18-20 - Orphaned? I would never leave you to yourself.

14:27 - My followers will know true peace.

14:20-21 - "You will know me", and I will "manifest myself to you".

Conclusion: God continues to make himself known in more and more intimate ways with his children and that intimacy results in obedience and certainty.