

Sermon Notes, 5-29-16, Will You

Scripture: John 13:37-38, John 15:12-14 (ESV)

(cue: Jesus says this in)

John 15:13, “Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”

(cue: Hold it...did you say friends.)

John 15:14 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

(cue: Oh, who am I to think that Jesus would call me friend. But if you look closely at that verse in)

John 15:14 “You are my friends IF you do what I command you.”

(cue: It was in that first scripture passage that was read in chapter 13 of John. In actuality Jesus answers a question with a question.)

John 13:36: Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, where are you going? Jesus answered him, “Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward.”

Vs. 37: Peter said to him, “Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”

(cue: It is here that we encounter the “Will you” question.)

Vs. 38 Jesus answered, “Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.”

(cue: Where you go, I'll go. Where you stay, I'll stay. When you move, I'll move. I will follow you. Who you love, I'll love. How you serve, I'll serve.)

If this life I lose, I will follow you. I will follow you.

(cue: Now I remember my grandma's house that had this in the door.)

(image, peep hole).

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(Cue: Later after my grandma died our family actually moved into that house. I was tall enough to look out the peep hole. When you look out the peep hole it can be a bit scary.)

(image)

<https://taholtorf.files.wordpress.com/2013/10/eye-hole.jpg>

One final knock knock joke. Knock knock. Who's there? Will. Will who. Will 'who' open the door.

(image of Jesus knocking at the door)

<https://newheavenonearth.files.wordpress.com/2012/03/jesus-knocking-door-pg.jpg>