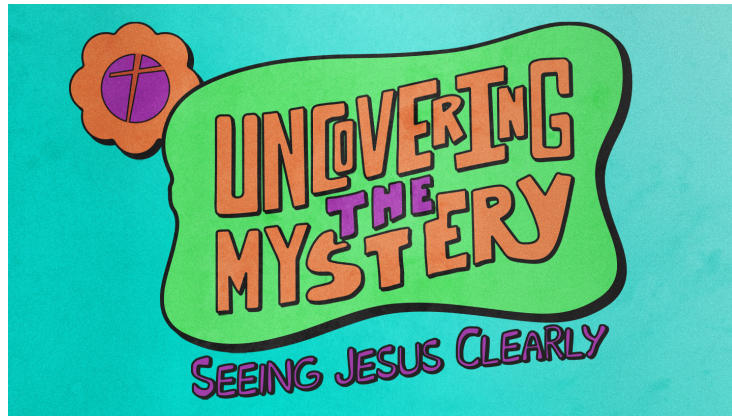




Finding Freedom

John 14:1-6 (NIV)

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

I. Freedom comes when we face our greatest fear first. (John 14:1-3)

- If you find peace from your greatest fear you can begin to be free from all your fears. (Revelation 13:6)
- Heaven is a physical place.
- Heaven is a desirable place.

I Corinthians 2:9-10 (ESV)

But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"— ¹⁰ these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

Philippians 1:23 (ESV)

I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.

- Heaven is the Lord's dwelling place.
- 2. Freedom comes when we ask God our hardest questions. (John 14:4-6)**
- Jesus doesn't avoid questions, He invites them.
- 3. Freedom comes when we choose "The" vs. "A" (John 14:6)**

A. Freedom comes in knowing "The" way!

B. Freedom comes when we surrender to "the truth". (John 8:32)

- "The Truth" is for all people, throughout all times, and in all circumstances.

Galatians 3:27-28 (HCSB)

For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ like a garment. ²⁸ There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Three things you must do with "The Truth":

1. Believe it.
2. Obey it.
3. Spread it.

C. Freedom comes when you begin to experience "the life"!