

Word of Life ... on the eve of death Part 3: John 14 - Comfort for Troubled Hearts

Intro: How do you comfort a distressed friend? What words do you choose?

Q: are Jesus's words in John 14 comforting or confronting?
Controversial comfort.

1. Jesus calls for trust (14:1)

Why should we trust Jesus?

2. Jesus secures our future (14:1-5)

a dwelling place = home; heaven as the family home

dwelling place created by Calvary not carpentry

3. Jesus alone offers access to God (14:6-11)

Other "ways" as faulty and/or dangerous

Truth about God revealed - if you have seen Jesus you have seen the Father!

Is it arrogance to claim you know/have/are the only way to God?

4. Jesus promises to use us as his agents of supernatural work (14:12-)

What are the greater works? (start by asking what "works" Jesus has been doing)

Asking in "Jesus's name"?

Is our picture of what constitutes miraculous too small?

Conclusion: Peace and comfort in a troubling world.