

BIBLE STUDY: LESSON 26

Scripture of Lesson: John 14: 1~31

1. Christ as God's representation and His perfect person

- a. V. 6 "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes unto the Father, but by me."
- b. The Way: Christ is God Incarnate who came to the world in the form of a human being to show the way leading to the tree of life, i.e. to return to Eden where God dwells.
 - i. Gen 4: 24 "So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the Garden of Eden cherubims and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep **the way of the tree of life.**"
- c. The Truth: Christ represents the entirety of God's truth. Everlasting wisdom and knowledge are embodied in His word and life.
 - i. Deut 32:4 "He is the Rock, His work is perfect; for all His ways are judgment, a God of truth and without iniquity; just and right is He."
 - ii. Exo 34: 6 "The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth"
 - iii. Ps 43: 3 "O send out Thy light and Thy truth! Let them lead me. Let them bring me unto Thy holy hill and to Thy tabernacles."
- d. The Life: Christ is the author of God's creation; is the source of true life in all living, both human and non-human, of life both here on earth and in everlasting realm through resurrection.
 - i. Job 33:4 "The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty has given me life."
 - ii. John 1:4 "In Him was life, and that life was the Light of men."
 - iii. John 11: 25 "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believes in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."
 - iv. I Cor 15: 45 "The first man Adam was made a living soul. The last Adam was made a quickening Spirit."

2. Christ's promise of response to our prayers

- a. V. 13 "And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." --a wonderful and amazing promise to Christians.
- b. Let us discuss some examples of people who prayed and received answers in the Bible.
- c. How should we ask and what should we pray for?

3. Christ's instruction to keep His commands

- a. V. 15 "If ye love Me, keep My commandments."
- b. Do we keep God's commands because we are constrained or does our love of Christ move us joyfully to keep His commandments?

4. Christ's promise of Holy Spirit

- a. v. 16-17: "And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever, even the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it sees Him not, neither knows Him. But ye know Him, for He dwells with you, and shall be in you." V.26

“But the Comforter, who is the Holy Ghost whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

- b. Many names for the Holy Spirit: Comforter, Spirit of God, Spirit of Christ, Holy Ghost, Spirit of the Lord, Spirit of Truth and Spirit of Love, etc.
- c. Holy Spirit is the third person of God-head; He is the communication between God and His children and among His children. He is the implementer of God’s plan. God works in and through His Spirit.