

PREPARING FOR THE PREPARED PLACE

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INTRO.:

A. Text: John 14:1-6.

B. Regarding the text.

1. It has often been said that “Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people”.
2. Let us examine those two necessities to determine whether or not adequate
3. preparation has been done.

I. “HEAVEN IS A PREPARED PLACE...”.

A. Jesus understood that the disciples would have been upset with His departure.

B. The Lord took the opportunity to encourage His followers after they had received some disturbing news (John 13:18-22, 36-38; 14:1-3).

C. There should be as much faith in Christ as there is in the Father.

D. There is plenty of “room” in Heaven.

1. We have a “reserved place” waiting for us (1 Pet. 1:3-5).
2. We are seeking a spiritual “house” (2 Cor. 5:1-8).

E. Even though Jesus left, He is going to come again.

1. We do not know when that will happen (Matt. 24:36).
2. However, we should find comfort in His return (1 Thess. 4:13-18).

II. “...FOR A PREPARED PEOPLE.”

A. Thomas wanted to be ready and prepared, but he was not sure how this was to be accomplished (John 14:4-5).

B. Trying to prepare in any other way is fruitless.

C. The only Way to Heaven is through Jesus Christ (John 14:6).

1. Jesus died that we might have access to Heaven (Rom. 5:6-9).
2. There is no other name that can provide access to Heaven (Acts 4:12).

D. Jesus is the Truth (John 14:6).

1. Jesus is God, and it is not possible for God to lie (John 1:1-5; Heb. 6:18; Titus 1:2; 1 Pet. 2:22).
2. We can have complete confidence in Christ.

E. Jesus is the Life (John 14:6).

1. Jesus gives both physical and spiritual life (John 1:3; 3:36).
2. Jesus is the reason that we can have everlasting life (John 3:16; Heb. 5:9; By His blood 1 Pet. 1:18-19).

III. CONCLUSION

A. Are we prepared for Heaven (Matt. 24:42-44)?

B. There is no better time to prepare than now. Please do not miss the prepared place because you did not prepare yourself for it!