

The Spirit of Truth

John 14:15-31

INTRODUCTION: JESUS PROMISES THE HOLY SPIRIT

- No other religions have the truth because they do not have the “Holy Spirit”?
 - ✚ These other religions may make claims that they have “spirits” that spoke or speak to them; but those of course will be “evil spirits”. Such as Catholicism which practice “necromancy” which they claim to be able to communicate with the dead.
 - ✚ Of course in truth God says not to try communicate with the dead.

Deuteronomy 18:11-12 King James Version

¹¹ Or a charmer, **or a consulter with familiar spirits**, or a wizard, **or a necromancer**. ¹² For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

- Then on the reverse side to that question the Christian may be asked how do they know that their religion is true?
 1. On these two questions hangs the fight of a spiritual battle for the eternal soul of a man; of good versus evil?
- So what evidence is proof enough to argue and demonstrate the truth of these two questions

Well firstly there is no proof of the truth from all other religions to say they have proof that their religion is the truth because simply put **All their god's are dead**

Not even Islam can prove their religion because it's all about an angel giving revelation to “their” prophet Muhammad which is just a man and never to rise no more except at the judgement seat of Christ.

Muhammad was born in Mecca in Saudi Arabia in 570. He was a deeply spiritual man, and often spent time in meditation on Mount Hira. The traditional story of the Qur'an tells how one night in 610 he was meditating in a cave on the mountain when he was visited by the angel Jibreel who ordered him to recite. Of course there is no proof of that, and even if they proved it, it would still make no difference to Muhammad being dead because he was just a man.

Muslims believe that the **Quran** was orally **revealed** by God to the final prophet, Muhammad, through the archangel Gabriel (Jibril), incrementally over a period of some

23 years, beginning in the month of Ramadan, when Muhammad was 40; and concluding in 632, the year of his death.

- Of course the **Bible (King James Version)** on the other hand through the Apostle Paul warns to be careful of such doubtful disputations from any other man or an angel speaking prophecy of any other gospel.

So what is the Quran based on?.....but the exact warning the Apostle Paul warned about in Galatians 1:8 and Galatians 1:9.

- Such is the importance of the warning that the Apostle warns in two verses one directly after the other the same warning? See below....

Galatians 1:8

But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, **let him be accursed**.

Galatians 1:9

As we said before, so say I now again, **if any man preach any other gospel** unto you than that ye have received, **let him be accursed**.

- The Bible is 500-1600 years older than the Quran but still billions of people did and do not listen to the Apostle Paul's warning.
- The Quran on appeared in the 7th century and was supposed to have been revealed by the angel

PROOF FOR THE BIBLE TO BE INSPIRED BY GOD.

Whilst we can argue the points from scripture in the bible to show that the bible is the inspired and only word of God, Islam does exactly the same thing and so does Judaism.

Without going into deep theology of the Bible because these proponents I mentioned will argue against it from their point of view.

But what can't be argued is the fact that the Bible KJV has a risen Saviour which many hundreds of eye witnesses saw and which history writes about through the Roman historian Josephus.

But also these other religions cannot argue the fact that they do not have a risen Saviour.

The third fact is that the bible was written 500 to 1600 years before the Quran and therefore anything that causes a resemblance in the Quran to the bible has been copied from the Bible text.

That's why the Quran will say that Jesus existed, but that he was only a prophet, and they acknowledge that much, because the truth is too hard to hide.

The same goes for the Quran in referring to the prophets like Moses in the Old Testament.

The Jewish religion of Judaism has the Old Testament scriptures, which are the 39 books of the Old Testament bound in a book referred to as the Tanakh even though they are placed in a different book order to the bible.

But the problem with Judaism is that they deny Jesus as God as mentioned earlier and this is simply because they do not ascribe the New Testament as scripture or Gods inspired Word.

What the Jews rather prefer is their Talmud which is the Rabbinical writings of their Rabbi's over the last 2000 years and bound in 38 volumes of books like the encyclopaedia Britannica.

The Talmud, or oral law, includes the Mishnah, a six-part Hebrew compilation finished around A.D. 200, but in popular phraseology Talmud usually refers to the 38 volumes of the Gemara, in which later rabbinic generations used the Mishnah's bare-bones argumentation as a springboard for more razor-sharp parsing of logic.

WHY MENTION ALL THIS INFORMATION

Well even with the historical record it is easy to see that these are all mans writings aiming to reach up to God, instead of seeing that it was God who was reaching down to man through Jesus.

The central core to all theology out there in the world and all the world religions has elements of the true bible and how do you suppose that happened?

The answers to that question are in the book of Genesis where God's earthly creation started. Genesis answers all the questions necessary for life, and the closing book of Revelation closes with the results of the creation by God.

When the bible was completed in roughly A.D. 125 there was no more revelation given by God through man. The Apostle Paul was that last Apostle by which God spoke through the Holy Ghost.

Other religions that are false who seems to be Christian on the surface is the Seventh Day Adventists who say that their "prophetess Ellen G White" was given authoritative scriptures to read alongside the Bible. This is of course a cult because they add to the Word of God. The Holy Ghost did not speak through her like she claimed.

The same can be said of Mormonism

Joseph Smith Jr. was an American religious leader and founder of Mormonism and the Church of Latter Day Saint movement in 1831. When he was 24, Smith published the Book of Mormon. It was said by him that he was visited by an angel three times in a vision giving him instruction.

- Yet the Bible (KJV) speaks against these revelations and visions as the Apostles tell us that prophecy came only through the Holy Spirit of God.
- Take a look at Ephesians 3.

Ephesians 3:4-6 King James Version

⁴Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)⁵**Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;** ⁶ That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

- God's Word was only revealed up until the Apostolic time the Apostle Paul.

2 Peter 1:20-21 King James Version

²⁰ **Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.**²¹ **For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**

1. In all accounts of scripture it was the Holy Ghost who Spoke and the men of God recorded it.
2. In All accounts of scripture it is the Holy Ghost, which in dwells a believer.
3. And it is the Holy Spirit that seals a believer unto God.
4. So it is impossible to be saved apart from the Holy Spirit.
5. That is why the Holy Spirit is referred to as the Holy Spirit of Promise.

No other religion can lay claim to salvation apart from the Spirit of God.

It takes the belief in the triune God head to execute Salvation.

- The Word of God is ministered by the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:3

Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the **Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.**

1 Corinthians 2:13

Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which **the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.**

The Muhammad of Isalm did not have God the Father or Jesus or the Holy Spirit and therefore could not be filled with the Holy Spirit because his teaching denied that God has a Son.

This same unbelief is also believed by Judaism who say that they only believe in the Tanakh (39 Books of the Old Testament) and so they stick to the scripture in Deuteronomy which says "I alone am God and beside me there is none other.

Of course they misinterpret the scripture because they don't believe the New Testament which says God is triune. That being the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one. Meaning One God and three persons.

Deuteronomy 5:7 King James Version

Thou shalt have **none other gods** before me.

- The God Head is still only One God, with the persons. So its not a violation of scripture as Judaism would think.
- But because they don't have the New Testament they can't see that.

Isaiah 44:6 King James Version

⁶ Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; **I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.**

- Without the New Testament the Jew is unable to see that in Isaiah 44:6 is speaking about Jesus as the LORD.
- Jesus said no less than four times in the Book of Revelation that he is the first and the last.

King James Version.

Revelation 1:11 **Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last:** and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Revelation 1:17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, **Fear not; I am the first and the last:**

Revelation 2:8 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; **These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;**

Revelation 22:13 **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.**

- These verses from the Book of Revelation are the direct quotes of Jesus declaring that He is the LORD the first and the last.
- He is The same LORD spoken in Isaiah 44:6.

Isaiah 45:5-6 King James Version

⁵ **I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me:** I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: ⁶ That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, **that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.**

- The word LORD in the Old Testament is represented as the triune God.

King James Version

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. **And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.**

²⁶ **And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:** and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

1. Most people even many Christians don't stop to think about who created the heavens and the earth
2. Most Christian will just say it was God that created everything and whilst being right they could be more specific.
3. More specifically it was Jesus who created everything as we read this in many places in the NT.

Colossians 2 King James Version

¹⁴ **In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:**

¹⁵ **Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:**

¹⁶ **For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:**

¹⁷ **And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.**

¹⁸ **And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.**

¹⁹ **For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;**

- ❖ The easiest of all the passages in the bible to show that Jesus is the one who created the heaven and earth and all this is found in John 1:1-14

John 1:1-14 King James Version

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

² **The same was in the beginning with God.**

³ All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

¹² But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

¹³ Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

1. You can see in Genesis 1 verse 1 that it was God who created the heaven and the earth.

2. And in Genesis 1 verse 2 we see the Spirit of God moved across the face of the waters.

3. Then in Genesis 1 verse 26 we see that God said let US make man in OUR own image.

✓ That means that according to Genesis 1 verse 26, this new creation God was going to create was a man and when he was created he was both in the image of God, and in the image of the Spirit.

• This makes perfect sense because when we see Jesus, who is God come to Bethlehem's manger as new born child he is a man child. And God in the flesh,

✓ Also how could we not be made in the image of God when God tells us that we are, and we are even called the sons of God when we believe on His Son.

4. Both Islam and Judaism have to answer at lease the statement in verse 26.

Based in these 2 verses which the Jews also have in Their Torah which refers to the first five books of the Old Testament how can they believe there was only a single being in God.

❖ Because who then was God talking to in Genesis 1 verse 26.

The creation would be the same image for the Spirit of God and for God. They would have to look the same.

5. Because up to this point in time in Genesis 1 verse 26; man had not been created yet.

6. Even if God had created the angles before man the angels were not created in God's image.

7. So for God to say let "US" make man in our image would not have made sense.

- ✓ Of course we know from the NT that Jesus said to the Jews and the Pharisees that if you have seen me then you have seen the Father. Because it is the same image. Of Man.

As we looked at both these verses from Isaiah 44:6 & Isaiah 45: verse 5 & 6 the LORD we saw the following,

8. LORD was referred to in the Hebrew language as YHWH. which was always pronounced as YAHWEH by the Jews and the Hebrews because they felt Gods name was to sacred to say.
9. **This same name is known as the Tetragrammaton, meaning only 4 letters used which make up the letter YHWH.**

1 John 5:7 King James Version

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

- Of course I am not going to reproach last weeks message where the Pentecostals and charismatic's preach a "oneness" doctrine from the new bible versions such as the NIV which does not have 1 John 5:7
- "Oneness" doctrine or as its better known as Modalism is where they believe Jesus and the Father and the Holy spirit is the same person making one God, which of course is heretical.
- The Father, the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are three persons but one God.

Luke 4:1 And Jesus being full of the **Holy Ghost** returned from Jordan, and was led by the **Spirit** into the wilderness,

Luke 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the **Holy Spirit** to them that ask him?

- ❖ Only a true and living God can without "a shadow of doubt" can put claims to truth and reveal the truth through a living God entering into His creation.

The question they ask is this.

How do we know that the bible is true and how do we know that Jesus is true?

- ✓ **Well we know that we live by faith and not by sight? Right?. So we are ok with what we believe, and they may also say the same thing about their writings and religion?**
- ❖ **But this reasoning is insufficient for them.**
- ❖ **So how do we give an answer for the reason of hope that is within us as Christians.**

Well the truth of the matter is the following....

❖ No other religion except Christianity can make the claim that “God has entered into His creation?”

This is not just a claim but it is a fact of antiquity as the Jewish historian Flavius Josephus wrote about the life of Jesus. Whether some modern scholars don't want to believe everything that Flavius Josephus said is up to them.

- Flavius Josephus was a 1st century Jewish historian (37 – 100 AD).
- He was a commander of the Jewish forces in Galilee and would later become a Roman citizen.
- Was employed as a historian by the Flavian emperors Vespasian, Titus, and Domitian.
- Mentions Jesus in his historical writings (and his brother James cf. *Antiquities* 20.200).
- ❖ **But one thing the sceptics cannot deny is the fact that Jesus did come as history proves it. And also that Jesus was put to death by pilot and rose three days later to be seen by his disciples.**
- ❖ **The modern day sceptic scholars may deny many truths that Flavius Josephus wrote about Jesus, but they cannot deny Jesus did come.**

It's also important to note that even the Quran acknowledges Jesus as a prophet of Muhammad, even though the Quran is not scripture, yet Muhammad acknowledges Jesus. The Quran was written over a period of 23 years.

The bible has also been tested by archaeology all through history as an accurate source of information in determining placements and dates to detect ancient cities.

Therefore because those religions cannot make that claim for their religion they would call God entering into His creation heresy.

What other religions don't have is the Spirit of God, and therefore everything that they argue about is without the Spirit that gives life.

Other religions have no life in them and are dead religions. All they are is rituals.

1. THE DEATH BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS IS ONE PROOF THAT REQUIRED THE SPIRIT TO BE PRESENT.
 2. THE SECOND PROOF IS “THE HOLY SPIRIT BRINGS LIFE,
- As Christian believers in the triune God head we have the truth?
 - God does not force us to love him. He gives us the freedom to choose.

This act of choice that Jesus was teaching to his disciples would stand as the test of time and as testimony all through the NT as a witness when the disciples went out to spread the gospel when Jesus left. (Matthew 7:21).

1. Today this is the same choice.

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

1. Jesus having established the relationship of love to show salvation is in loving God. (Jesus) BY FAITH.
2. Having established the requirements to be a believer, Jesus begins to teach again on sustaining that love.
 - ✓ How would it be possible to sustain that love?
 - ✓ Would it be by their or own power?
 - ✓ Would we have the capability to love unconditionally?

The answer to those questions would be in what Jesus would say to his disciples.

Because of a man's sin, he is not capable of performing a continuous act of kindness or love without some kind of help. Jesus knew this was the case and began to comfort them with the following words.

- A. First of all Jesus said I will pray.
- B. He would pray to his father. His Father gave him the believers, so who else should he ask but the one to who gave them to him. He would ask God the Father to **he shall give you another Comforter.**
- C. In this verse Jesus says he **shall give you another Comforter.** "another comforter".
- D. This implies that Jesus was already the existing comforter, and that as Jesus would leave to bear the sins of many on "the cross", he would not leave until there was another comforter in his place to oversee the ministry of faith in the believers.
- E. The comforter that Jesus would ask His Father to give the believer would be an eternal comforter. **Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;**
- F. It would be a comforter from the triune Godhead. The Holy Spirit.

NO OTHER RELIGION HAS A COMFORTER OR THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH.

[John 15:26](#) ²⁶ But when the Comforter is come, [whom I will send unto you from the Father](#), even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

3. The comforter was to be another witness of Jesus, because he is of the Godhead.
4. Notice the order of giving. It was from the Father to Jesus and from Jesus to the believer. The same with salvation.
5. The Holy Spirit is known by several names. (The Spirit of truth, the comforter).

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

1. The Comforter is given another name by Jesus. And is called "**the Spirit of truth.**
2. The reason he is given this name is very simple as the Lord said to his disciples. The Spirit of truth, as the comforter was called, is "**he will testify**" of the "**truth**".
 - ✓ The **whom the world cannot receive,** is a term Jesus uses as the unbeliever.
3. The world who is sometimes called "Egypt" is a type in the bible for unbeliever.
 - ✓ The world who are the **unbelievers** do not have truth in them therefore they cannot receive the "Spirit of truth".
 - ✓ As an unrepentant (does not turn to God) unbeliever cannot receive salvation so too an unrepentant unbeliever cannot receive the "Spirit of truth". Because the Spirit of truth only resides in a believer.
4. An unbeliever who is the "world" cannot have the Spirit of truth if there is no conversion, why? **because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him.**
5. The unbeliever has no clue of who God is at that stage. Therefore the world does not know the "Spirit of truth".
6. But as Jesus tells the Apostles who are under his teaching now at His Passover and before the Jewish Passover, **but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**
7. The reason being as Jesus says, because you know him. Therefore he dwells in you.
8. The reason why we know the Spirit of truth is in us as a believer is because he convicts us of our sin, which is one of the Spirit of Truths ministries. (The Holy Spirit).

¹⁸ I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

1. Jesus understood and could understand what comfort is all about.
2. He himself would be comforted in the garden of Gethsemane when His Father would send an angel to comfort and strengthen him.

Luke 22:42-44 ⁴² Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. ⁴³ **And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.** ⁴⁴ And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

3. Jesus knew, that the flesh of a man is weak, because he even told the Apostles that on the night of his arrest in the garden of Gethsemane.

Matthew 26:41

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but **the flesh is weak.**

4. Therefore Jesus knew it was imperative that man have a comforter as well as a reprover of sin to remind him of his commitment to God.

5. In this verse ¹⁸ **I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.** It showed the disciples and it clearly shows the believer today that Jesus, was both a comforter like the Spirit of truth , and that he was also going to return to be that comforter again.
6. Later the writer of Hebrews in the NT would also capture this same statement made by the Lord.

Hebrews 13:5

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, **I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

7. Even as Jesus made this promise to the disciples in the garden of Gethsemane he also made this promise to all believers as we see recorded here in Hebrews 13:5.
8. The presence of Jesus would never leave the believer as promised by Jesus.

¹⁹ Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

1. The world again is mentioned here in this verse.
2. It told the disciples that the unbeliever would not see Jesus (spiritual absence).
3. It told the disciples that they would see the Lord. (Spiritual presence).
4. It also told the disciples that when Jesus would go from their presence and be arrested and crucified on the cross, his physical death would not separate them from him, because he would live again and they would live on spiritually with him as believers.
5. This again is the same message that the Apostle Paul preached to the Corinthian church about believing on Jesus.

2 Corinthians 13:4

For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, **but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.**

6. This term Yet a little while is very often used both in the OT and in the NT, especially here by our Lord.
7. It depicts his departure and his return. And in Hebrews the writer again records this for all believers in the Lord. This was not just a statement or teaching to the disciples but was for all believers. In John 7:33, John 12:35, John 13:33,

Hebrews 10:36-38 ³⁶ For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. ³⁷ For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. ³⁸ **Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.**

8. Jesus had earlier told the disciples about eternal life in him. But now he is teaching that principle to them again as we saw in John 11:26.

John 11:26

And whosoever **liveth and believeth in me shall never die.** Believest thou this?

9. We cannot believe in Jesus after we die, you must believe before you die. As the scriptures says you need to live and believe.

²⁰ At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

1. The future of the believer is always the resurrection.
2. The resurrection of the believer was taught here by Jesus to His Apostles.
3. He told them in verse 19, that they would live because he lives. He was speaking there of the future resurrection of the believers.
4. Now here in verse 20, he concludes with **At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father.** This would be the time in the future resurrection when they would get to understand and SEE for themselves what Jesus was saying to them now would happen.
5. The words Jesus used when speaking to his Apostles in this verse was **²⁰ At that day.**
6. Jesus often referred to that day of Judgment in this similar way. Such as seen in other scriptures like

Joel 2:10-12 ¹⁰ The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining: ¹¹ And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: **for he is strong that executeth his word: for** the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? ¹² Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

Joel 2:31

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord come.

Joel 3:15

The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

Matthew 24:28-30 ²⁸ For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. ²⁹ **Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened,** and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: ³⁰ **And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.**

7. Here is another of those quotes in the book of Acts.

Acts 2:20

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, **before the great and notable day of the Lord come:**

8. It is not my intent here this morning to give a sermon on the return of our Lord, but it is my intent to reveal to you what the Lord had revealed to his Apostles in that wonderful time of His Passover and before the Jewish Passover.
9. Jesus was to be the Jewish Passover, and the Jews did not even know it.
10. Even the high priest alluded to it when he spoke in verse 14 of John 18.

John 18:14

Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, **that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.**

11. Jesus was the Passover lamb.

➤ Even the Book of Revelation quotes Jesus words of that great day to come.

Revelation 6:11-13 ¹¹ **And white robes were given unto every one of them;** and it was said unto them, **that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were,** should be fulfilled. ¹² And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; **and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;** ¹³ **And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth,** even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

12. When Jesus said to His Apostles at that ²⁰ **At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father.** We see the results of what will take place for them to come to realize that they will know, because look what will happen as said here in these scriptures.

²¹ **He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.**

1. Verse 21, is just the confirmation of the result of verse 15 of our text.
2. When Jesus said if you love me keep my commandments.
3. As a direct result of loving Jesus, Jesus says you will also be loved of my Father.
4. Also as a result of that love and because of that love, and because he is loved by His Father, Jesus himself will make himself known to that believer.
5. There will be a direct relationship and presence between Jesus and his disciple.

²² **Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?**

1. A lack of understand, which is poor theology always comes up with poor questions.
2. The short answer to this silly question is that The Holy Spirit abides in the believer not the unbeliever.
3. His house has mansions filled with believers not unbelievers.

²³ **Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**

1. To make an abode with the believer is to share in the same accommodation as Jesus said.
2. Here Jesus said that both **my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**
3. This is for only the believer.

4. To **keep my words:** is to believe all that Jesus said. It is to obey him. His doctrine not mans.

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

1. An unbeliever is one who does not do as Jesus commanded. Despite weather he says he does.
2. Jesus came to fulfil his Fathers word. It is the Word of God which shall judge.

25 These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

1. To answer Judas, question Jesus spoke of what he had already said to them.

John 12:47-49 ⁴⁷ And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: **for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.** ⁴⁸ **He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.** ⁴⁹ **For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.**

2. This is a reference to all that Jesus had already told them.

26 But the Comforter, which 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.

1. But of the many things that Jesus had told His Apostles some things had not been said like here in verse 26.
2. The Comforter, was not mentioned before until now.
3. Yet the significance of the comforter was now explained to the Apostles here in verse 26. It was what they had been looking for all along. Something or someone to answer these long awaited questions. But here is the answer finally. **26 But the Comforter, which 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.**
4. This is why even today unless a person is born of the Spirit of God he cannot understand the spiritual word of God. The bible. To those it will just be a historic account record.
5. The Holy Spirit teaches the believer, it is his guide, it is his comforter, it is his reprover and illuminator of sin in our lives.
6. It brings to remembrance the scriptures of what the Lord has said to us through his word.
7. This must have brought joy to the hearts of those Apotles.

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

1. When Jesus spoke of peace, what did he mean?

2. Well he was speaking of no ordinary peace. There are two kinds of peace that he pointed out to his Apostles. The peace of the world (the unbelievers idea of peace) and the peace that he would give.
3. The peace that Jesus gives is peace that passes all understand as he said in his word.

Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which passeth **all understanding**, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

4. He not only gives his peace but he leaves it with us. **Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:**
5. The worlds peace can never match up to God's because it comes from unbelief.
6. On the other hand God's peace is one that he gives and one that he leaves with the believer.
7. That peace is one salvation that he gives, and he leaves that peace for an eternity with him.
8. Unlike the world, who are lost and dying and seek other alternatives to keep them happy and away from the idea of dying.
9. Gods peace is one of celebration in death to an eternity with him as he lives.
10. That's why Jesus said to his Apostles and to believers today **Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.**
11. Because we have peace and security in him.

²⁸ Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

²⁹ And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

³⁰ Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

³¹ But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

John 15:10

If ye keep my **commandments**, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's **commandments**, and abide in **his** love.

- We serve a risen Saviour Jesus Christ.

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