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A. Solace For The Scared (14:1-7)

1. The Promise Of Help (14:1)

Isaiah 41:13

Psalms 121:1-2

2. The Promise Of A House (14:2)

2 Corinthians 5:1

3. The Promise Of A Home (14:3)

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

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4. The Presence of Hope (14:4)

2 Thessalonians 2:16

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James 1:5-7

6. The Provision Of Honest Truth (14:6-7)

John 8:31-32

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B. Satisfaction For The Searching (14:8-11)

1. More than sight (14:8)

2 Corinthians 5:7

Hebrews 11:1

2. More than knowledge (14:9)

Matthew 7:21

3. Must be by faith (14:10-11)

a. That conquers your doubt (v 10)

1 John 5:6

b. That confirms your decision (v 11)

Matthew 16:15-17

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C. Success For The Saved (14:12-14)

1. In action (14:12)

Matthew 21:21

2. In asking (14:13)

James 4:2-3

3. In assurance (14:14)

John 15:7

The Comforter Promised
John 14:15-31

God Will Never Leave You Comfortless Or Alone

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

John 14:15-18

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

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

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.

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

A. The Pattern of Obedience (14:15)

1 John 5:2-3

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

B. The Prayer of Christ (14:16)

1 Timothy 2:5

For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

C. The Provision of the Holy Spirit (14:16)

2 Peter 1:3

According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

D. The Permanence of the Holy Spirit (14:16)

John 6:51

I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

E. The Properties of the Holy Spirit (14:17)

1. Leads to truth by truth

John 16:13

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

2. Given by God to believers

1 Corinthians 2:12

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

I. Promises For The Obedient (14:15-17)

E. The Properties of the Holy Spirit (14:17)

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3. Provides answers in trials

Mark 13:11

But when they shall lead *you*, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.

II. Pressing Needs For The Disciples (14:18-26)

A. To see Christ (14:18-20)

John 14:18-20

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

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

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

John 20:19

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

II. Pressing Needs For The Disciples (14:18-26)

B. To love Christ (14:21)

John 14:21

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.

C. To understand Christ (14:22)

John 14:22

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

II. Pressing Needs For The Disciples (14:18-26)

**D. To live in Christ by having Christ live in you
(14:23-24)**

John 14:23-24

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.

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.

II. Pressing Needs For The Disciples (14:18-26)

E. To hear Christ now (14:25)

John 14:25

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

Isaiah 55:6

Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

II. Pressing Needs For The Disciples (14:18-26)

F. To respond to the Holy Spirit (14:26)

John 14:26

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.

III. The Peace of Christ (14:27-31)

A. Unparalleled (14:27)

John 14:27

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.

III. The Peace of Christ (14:27-31)

B. Unrealized (14:28-29)

John 14:28-29

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.

III. The Peace of Christ (14:27-31)

C. Undermined by unbelief (14:30)

John 14:30

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

D. Undefeated (14:31)

John 14:31

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.

The Comforter Is Come!!