

## “I Am in the Father, and the Father in Me”

**Intro:** In tender mercy and in loving His disciples unto the end the \_\_\_\_\_ ministered to them privately, \_\_\_\_\_ them for His leaving by assuring them of His great love for them, by further deepening them in the faith and that by reestablishing the truth of who He is, and by telling them of the \_\_\_\_\_ that would \_\_\_\_\_ in His going to the Father.

I. \_\_\_\_\_ to God because He is God!

A. Therefore Jesus could say, “If you had known Me (*or, if you had \_\_\_\_\_ that because I am God I am the way to God*), then you would have known (*\_\_\_\_\_ that you know*) My \_\_\_\_\_ also (*for he who comes to Me comes to the Father*).”

B. With Jesus having now expressed this truth to them He could also say, “from \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ Him, and have seen Him,” for you know Me and have seen Me and I am the way to the Father.

II. Phillip \_\_\_\_\_ that if Jesus would show them the Father that their \_\_\_\_\_ would be calmed.

A. Jesus assured \_\_\_\_\_ that he \_\_\_\_\_ the Father saying, “He who has seen Me has seen the Father ...”

III. The Lord purposefully \_\_\_\_\_ the disciple’s \_\_\_\_\_ asking them if they believed that He is in the Father and the Father is in Him.

A. In \_\_\_\_\_ to the disciples Jesus questioned their \_\_\_\_\_ and then re-proclaimed the truth commanding them to believe so that they would be \_\_\_\_\_ in their faith, lacking in nothing.

1. To bolster the disciple’s faith Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ that He did not speak on His own initiative, but only as the Father abiding in Him did His work.

2. Having stated the \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus commanded the disciples to \_\_\_\_\_ Him when He said, “I am in the Father, and the Father in Me ...”

3. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the disciples for doubting His word saying that if they would not believe Him as He spoke the Father’s word, then they should \_\_\_\_\_ Him on account of His miraculous \_\_\_\_\_.

IV. Offering the disciples \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for the future Jesus promised saying, "he who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also ..."

A. Jesus also promised saying, "he who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also, \_\_\_\_\_ than these shall he do ..."

B. Indeed, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciple's ministry would be far \_\_\_\_\_ than the confined scope of the Lord's ministry who came only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. The disciple's greater work is found in their taking the gospel to \_\_\_\_\_.

C. The empowerment to work Christ's works and even greater works than were previously worked would come to the disciples \_\_\_\_\_ to Father. Truly could Jesus say, "Let not your hearts be troubled."

V. In offering further hope to the disciples, Jesus promised them saying, "And \_\_\_\_\_ in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. "If you ask Me anything in My name, \_\_\_\_\_ it."

A. Not only did Jesus instruct the disciples to allow their hearts not to be troubled, but He gave them the \_\_\_\_\_ upon which to stand and His \_\_\_\_\_ upon which to \_\_\_\_\_. His going to the Father was for the good of all.

**Closing:** What does this mean to us? Well, as we study how the \_\_\_\_\_ His own, and in seeing that in everything Jesus did He rendered good for His people (even through His suffering and His leaving them), and then we hear of His \_\_\_\_\_ and how He perfectly fulfills them all, then we are assured and "know that God causes all things to work together \_\_\_\_\_ to those who love Him, to those who are called according to His purpose" (Rom 8:28). Even if Christ should leave His disciples and die upon a cross, it is all for the good of His people!

A. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ every word of \_\_\_\_\_ for He is in the Father and the Father is in Him; thus, every word Jesus spoke was the very Word of God. To doubt Jesus' word is to doubt the Heavenly Father. But, to know Jesus is to know the Heavenly Father. The Scripture says, "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become \_\_\_\_\_ of God, even to those who \_\_\_\_\_ in His name" (John 1:12). Believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved.