

Studies in the Life of Christ

N.T. Survey Lesson 46--John 13-14

Introduction: In this study we will give additional study to the last night of Jesus with His disciples. Though Matthew, Mark, and Luke gives brief details of Jesus' conversations with the disciples, John gives a much more detailed view. In these conversations a key point is the coming of the Holy Spirit and His work through the apostles.

Lesson aim: To understand the purpose of the Holy Spirit's coming.

Jesus washes the disciples' feet--John 13:1-20

1. What does John say Jesus knew? How does he describe Jesus' relationship with the disciples?
2. By what act did Jesus demonstrate humility to the disciples? Why was this object lesson so needed?
3. How did Peter react? How did Jesus respond?
4. What lesson did Jesus give after having washed the disciples' feet? Should saints do this for one another today? In the assembly as an act of worship?
5. What prophesy did Jesus anticipate would soon be fulfilled? Why did Jesus tell the disciples this in advance?

Jesus predicts Judas' betrayal and Simon's denial--John 13:21-38

1. How did Jesus identify who the betrayer was?
2. What did Judas' departure cause Jesus to say? What would result from Jesus' death?
3. What "new" commandment did Jesus give the disciples? How is it new? What would it prove to the world?
4. What boast did Peter make? How did Jesus respond?

Jesus comforts the disciples' troubled hearts--John 14:1-15

1. What revelation of Jesus made the disciples troubled in heart? How did Jesus seek to comfort them?
2. What claims did Jesus make about himself in this section?
3. What did Jesus urge the disciples to do? On what basis did He urge them to do this?
4. What did Jesus promise that they would do if they believed?
5. How would disciples prove their love for the Lord?

Jesus promises a helper--John 13:16-31

1. What did Jesus promise to give His disciples in His absence? Who is this helper or comforter?
2. What did Jesus say He and the Father would do? Upon what condition of life would they do so?
3. What would the Holy Spirit do for the disciples? Of what would He remind them?
4. What effect did Jesus words have on the disciples? Why should they have rejoiced instead? What did Jesus leave with His disciples?
5. What did Jesus mean "the ruler of the world is coming and has nothing in me"? What would Jesus' death prove about Him?