

HOW TO LIVE BETWEEN HIS COMINGS:
It's All About Relationships - John 13-17

"LEAVING SOON . . . LOVE LIKE HIM"

John 13:31-38

Relating to One Another: Servanthood (John 13:1-17); Love (13:31-35)

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Relating to the Lord Jesus: Loyalty (John 13:18-30, 36-38)

MAIN IDEA: When Jesus announced His departure, He told us how to relate to one another in His absence.

Jesus' "Farewell Address":

- o Dominant theme: His departure to the Father (13:1,3,31-33,36; 14:1-6,12,15-19,28-29; 16:4-6,16-22,27-29)
- o Common response: Lack of understanding (13:36; 14:4-5; 16:16-19)

- I. **HE'S LEAVING..._____ is He leaving? (John 13:31-32) (The _____)**
- A. *The _____ of the present ____ (cp. John 2:4; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23-24,27-28; 17:1)*
- B. *The _____ of His death and departure: the _____ of the Son and the Father (cp. John 12:23-24,27-28; 17:1,5; Phil. 2:5-11)*
- ❖ Through _____ of sinners (Luke 19:10; I Tim. 1:15)
 - ❖ Through bearing _____ and taking them away (I Cor. 15:3; II Cor. 5:21; I Jn. 3:5)
 - ❖ Through _____ sinners from penalty/power of sin (Eph.1:7; I Pet. 1:18-19)
 - ❖ Through _____ holy demands against sin (Rom.3:24-25; I John 2:2; 4:9-10)
 - ❖ Through offering Himself as a sweet-smelling _____ to God (Eph. 5:2)
 - ❖ Through _____ of the work that the Father had given Him (John 17:4; 19:30)
 - ❖ Through destroying _____ and His power over death (Heb. 2:14)
 - ❖ Through displaying His _____ on the cross (Rom.3:25; II Cor.8:9; I Jn.4:9-10)
- C. *The _____ of the Son with the Father (John 13:31-32; cp. 17:4-5)*
- II. **HE'S LEAVING..._____ is He going? (John 13:33) (The _____)**
- A. *_____ He would leave: _____ (John 13:33a; cp. 7:33;12:35; 14:19;16:16-19)*
- B. *_____ would occur: _____ (John 13:33b)*
- ❖ For His disciples, the separation was only _____ (John 13:36; 14:1-3).
 - ❖ For Pharisees and all unbelievers, the separation is _____ (John 8:21-24; cp. II Thess. 1:7-9).
- C. *_____ He would go: not _____ (John 13:33b; cp. 13:36; 14:4; 16:16-17,28)*
- III. **HE'S LEAVING..._____ should you ____ when He leaves? (John 13:34-35)**
- Two great priorities: the Great _____ (Matt. 28:18-20) and _____ (The _____)
the Great _____ (John 13:34-35)
- A. *The _____ of love—a command (Jn.13:34-35; 15:12,17; I Jn.2:7-8; 3:23; 4:21; II Jn.5)*
- B. *The _____ of love—moves out toward the other person; should be mutual*
- C. *The _____ of love—"as I have loved you" (cp. John 13:12-17; Eph. 5:2; I Jn.4:10-11)*
- D. *The _____ of love—knowing you are disciples by love for one another (13:35; I Jn.3:14)*
- E. *The _____ of love—love will be demonstrated (cp. I Cor.13:4-7; "one anothers")*
- F. *The _____ of love—"if" (implying the possibility that a Christian will not always love)*
- IV. **HE'S LEAVING..._____ will _____ before He leaves? (John 13:36-38)**
- A. *The _____ of Peter (John 13:36a)—where are you going? (The _____)*
- B. *The _____ of Peter (John 13:36b, 37a; cp. 13:7-9)—why can't I go with you?*
- C. *The _____ of Peter (John 13:37b; cp. Matt.26:33-35)—lay down life, never deny*
- D. *The _____ of Peter (John 13:38)—prediction of what would happen that night*
- ❖ Beware of making empty _____ in your overconfidence.
 - ❖ Trials and suffering reveal your level of _____ to Jesus Christ.
 - ❖ Your efforts to live for Christ in your own _____ will prove to be fruitless.
- *The _____ of God is the ultimate purpose of Jesus' death and departure. . . so it should be in all that we do (I Cor. 10:31).*
 - *The _____ of Jesus from His disciples was only temporary. . . so it will be with us (John 14:1-3; I Thess. 4:13-18).*
 - *The _____ of love for one another was given to His disciples. . . so it should be demonstrated by us (John 13:34-35).*
 - *The commitment and confidence of Peter could only be maintained by _____ on Christ. . . so it is with us (John 15:4-5).*

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I. HE'S LEAVING... *Why* is He leaving? (John 13:31-32) (The Purpose)

A. *The importance of the present hour* (cp. John 2:4; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23-24,27-28; 17:1)

B. *The intent of His death and departure: the glory of the Son and the Father* (cp. John 12:23-24,27-28; 17:1,5; Phil. 2:5-11)

- ❖ Through *salvation* of sinners (Luke 19:10; I Tim. 1:15)
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C. *The identity of the Son with the Father* (John 13:31-32; cp. 17:4-5)

II. HE'S LEAVING... *Where* is He going? (John 13:33) (The Place)

A. *When He would leave: soon* (John 13:33a; cp. 7:33;12:35; 14:19;16:16-19)

B. *What would occur: separation* (John 13:33b)

- ❖ For His disciples, the separation was only *temporary* (John 13:36; 14:1-3).
- ❖ For Pharisees and all unbelievers, the separation is *eternal* (John 8:21-24; cp. II Thess. 1:7-9).

C. *Where He would go: not stated* (John 13:33b; cp. 13:36; 14:4; 16:16-17,28)

III. HE'S LEAVING... *What* should you *do* when He leaves? (John 13:34-35)

Two great priorities: the Great *Commission* (Matt. 28:18-20) and (The *Priority*)
the Great *Command* (John 13:34-35)

A. *The must of love—a command* (Jn.13:34-35; 15:12,17; I Jn.2:7-8; 3:23; 4:21; II Jn.5)

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C. *The model of love—"as I have loved you"* (cp. John 13:12-17; Eph. 5:2; I Jn.4:10-11)

D. *The mark of love—knowing you are disciples by love for one another* (13:35; I Jn.3:14)

E. *The manifestation of love—love will be demonstrated* (cp. I Cor.13:4-7; "one anothers")

F. *The maybe of love—"if"* (implying the possibility that a Christian will not always love)

IV. HE'S LEAVING... *What* will *happen* before He leaves? (John 13:36-38)

A. *The confusion of Peter* (John 13:36a)—*where are you going?* (The *Prediction*)

B. *The commitment of Peter* (John 13:36b, 37a; cp. 13:7-9)—*why can't I go with you?*

C. *The confidence of Peter* (John 13:37b; cp. Matt.26:33-35)—*lay down life, never deny*

D. *The correction of Peter* (John 13:38)—*prediction of what would happen that night*

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