

Trust Me!

Scripture Reading — John 14:1-4

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.”
—John 14:1 —

For many years, I lived across the street from an elementary school. I've noticed that the first day of class for kindergarteners can be a day of terror. They cling to their parents like Velcro. I recall the cries of young boys and girls who wanted nothing to do with math, reading, and graham crackers. They were simply troubled about leaving their parents.

Peter and the other disciples were not thrilled to learn that Jesus was talking about going away (John 13:31-33). He knew he would soon be arrested and crucified, but would rise again on the third day. Jesus also knew the disciples were troubled and distressed. So he spoke directly to their fears and uncertainty to give them the confidence they needed to stand. Jesus said, in effect, “Don't be upset that I'm leaving you for a little while. Put your trust in my promise to prepare a permanent place for you in my Father's kingdom.”

When life pulls us into situations that make us doubt, Jesus reassures us that we can let go of uncertainties and live with the amazing promise that Jesus has prepared a home for us.

Have the hard knocks of life taken the wind out of your sails? Jesus has a good word for you: trust in the Father, who loves you, and in Jesus, who has prepared a place just for you—for eternity.

Prayer

Jesus, we are often tossed on the restless seas of worry and doubt. Give us your blessed assurance that we have a place in your kingdom now and forever. Amen.

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