

Welcome Home

Scripture Reading — John 14:1-10

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms.” — John 14:1-2

There’s no place like home. Returning from a mission trip to Asia, I was greeted by a huge paper banner with brightly colored letters saying “Welcome Home, Daddy!” Home is more than a street address and familiar surroundings. Home is a place of belonging, where you can be yourself and know you are loved and accepted.

The Bible is a long love song about the Father calling his children home. He has a gracious heart overflowing with love for his lost children. He has chosen you from even before the time of creation for adoption into his family (Ephesians 1:4). God’s revealing himself as our Father is an offer of his love to all of humanity.

If you humble yourself and turn toward home, the Father will meet you right where you are. He has arranged for the full payment of your sin. Once in his arms, you are as good as home.

Walking with him, with our brother Jesus, and with all the redeemed children of God, we move toward the feast that celebrates the fact that we were lost but are now found, were dead but are now alive again.

Are you ready to celebrate at the great feast of the kingdom of God? Turn your heart toward the Father and accept his welcome to your true home.

Prayer

Father, thank you for your endless love and overwhelming grace. We receive your forgiveness and respond to your offer of new life with you and great joy for ever and ever, in Jesus’ name! Amen.

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