

# John 14:22–31 — “God’s Presence, Instructions, and Peace for Believers”

**God dwells with believers, teaches believers, and gives lasting peace to believers, that the world cannot provide.**

## Biblical / Cultural Context

On the night before the cross, Jesus had just announced His departure, revealed that one disciple would betray Him and another would deny Him. The disciples are confused, fearful, and unsettled. Like many Jews of their time, they expected the Messiah to establish a visible, political kingdom immediately. Instead, Jesus explains that His first coming is about dealing with sin and death, not ruling the world. During this time before His return, believers will experience God’s presence through the Holy Spirit, grow through divine teaching, and live with a peace the world cannot give.

## Passage Outline

- **I. Jesus Reveals Himself Through Fellowship (John 14:22–24)**
- **II. The Holy Spirit Reveals Jesus Through Teaching (John 14:25–26)**
- **III. Jesus Gives Peace in a Troubled World (John 14:27–31)**

### I. Jesus Reveals Himself Through Fellowship (John 14:22–24)

 **Jesus reveals Himself to believers through loving obedience, not to the unbelieving world.**

Judas (not Iscariot) asks why Jesus will reveal Himself to the disciples but not to everyone. He is thinking in terms of an immediate, visible kingdom. Jesus explains that before the kingdom comes, He will dwell personally with believers through fellowship. Loving obedience does not earn salvation, as believers walk in obedience, they experience close fellowship with the Father and the Son through the filling of the Holy Spirit.

-  **Stay close to Jesus through loving obedience.**
  - *Are we living like the world even though we know Jesus as Savior?*
    - **Walk in obedience, enjoying personal fellowship with God rather than living at a distance from Him.**

## II. The Holy Spirit Reveals Jesus Through Teaching (John 14:25–26)

📌 **The Holy Spirit teaches believers by reminding them of God’s revealed Word and helping them understand it.** Jesus prepares the disciples for His physical absence by promising the Helper. The Holy Spirit would directly teach the apostles and bring Jesus’ words to their remembrance, enabling them to write Scripture and correctly understand God’s plan. Today, the Spirit does not give new revelation, but He illuminates what has already been revealed in God’s Word. As believers stay rooted in Scripture, the Spirit helps them know God more deeply and grow in confidence, trust, and gratitude.

- 💡 **Remain grounded in God’s Word and depend on the Spirit’s guidance.**
  - *Have we neglected Scripture and wondered why peace feels distant?*
    - **Commit to God’s Word daily, trusting the Spirit to teach and strengthen your faith.**

## III. Jesus Gives Peace in a Troubled World (John 14:27–31)

📌 **Jesus gives a lasting, inner peace that is not dependent on circumstances.** Unlike the temporary peace the world offers through comfort, power, or pleasure, Jesus gives peace that guards the heart in the middle of fear and uncertainty. He commands His followers not to let their hearts be troubled, reminding them that His departure and return are part of God’s plan. Jesus willingly goes to the cross in obedience to the Father, showing His love for God and securing victory over sin and death. Because of this, believers can rest confidently, even in trials.

- 💡 **Choose trust over fear by resting in Christ’s peace.**
  - *Are we allowing circumstances to control our hearts instead of God’s promises?*
    - **Live daily in the peace Jesus provides, knowing He has already overcome the world.**

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📖 **John 14:27 (NKJV)**

**“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”**

🙏 Father, thank You that Jesus does not leave us alone or afraid. Help us walk in loving obedience, stay grounded in Your Word, and rest in the peace Christ has given us. When trials come, remind us that Jesus has already secured the victory. **In Jesus’ Mighty name, Amen.**