

Bible Class Notes – From John’s Gospel– Lesson 43

The ‘I AM’ Sayings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This week we continue lessons which teach the almighty saving power of Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me”. John 14 v6

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 14 v1-18 (Lord, show us the Way to Heaven)	
Monday	John 14 v19-31 (Holy Spirit – Promised comforter)	
Tuesday	Matthew 7 v13-29 (The only gate to enter Heaven)	
Wednesday	Isaiah 48 v9-22 (The Lord leads by His Way)	
Thursday	Matthew 24 v34-51 (Certainty of Heaven to come)	
Friday	Isaiah 65 v17-25 (Joy in New Heaven and New Earth)	
Saturday	2 Peter 3 v1-18 (New Heaven and New Earth)	

Important Lesson for us Today: There are many human ideas presented as to how we can approach God, and enjoy eternity... But only God’s Word tells us the Truth, and The Way to Him and Heaven; through Jesus Christ, God The Son. What undeserved mercy to us sinners! Jesus Christ brings us the Truth of God (He is The WORD, John 1 v1) and this Truth is recorded for us in the Bible (The Old Testament, which points to the coming of Christ, and the New Testament, which tells of His coming, and of the Gospel Age in which we live). Jesus said, “And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8v32). The freedom spoken of here is the removal of the guilt of our sin, accomplished when the Lord died on Calvary as our substitute. This is the Truth - that if we repent and believe in Him as our personal Saviour – He will give us Life (Eternal Life), and fit us for Heaven.

This week’s hymn verses tells of The Lord Jesus Christ – The Way, The Truth, and The Life: (201)

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| <p>1. Thou art the Way, to Thee alone
From sin and death we flee;
And he who would the Father seek
Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.</p> <p>2. Thou art the Truth, Thy Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind,
And purify the heart.</p> | <p>3. Thou art the Life, the rending tomb
Proclaims Thy conquering arm:
And those who put their trust in Thee
Nor death nor hell shall harm.</p> <p>4. Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;
Grant us that Way to know,
That Truth to keep, that Life to win
Whose joys eternal flow.</p> |
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The Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Heaven and How to Get There.

- **The Death of a True Christian – Raised, Changed, Glorified.**
 - When a believer in Christ breathes their last breath they leave this sad world of flesh and time, and their soul enters God’s glorious Heaven.
 - This begins a whole new experience, a never ending adventure, and at the end of time God will raise them as a new body, changed, glorious.
- **Is Heaven a real place? What will it be like?**
 - Unbelievers pour scorn on Heaven, rejecting it, ‘no such place’, ‘Pie in the Sky’
 - The Lord Jesus Christ spoke of Heaven as being a ‘real’ place. (John 14v1-4)
 - As Heaven is beyond our earthly understanding and experience the Lord had to use picture language to describe it to us:
 - A ‘city’ with ‘gates’, (Revelation 22v14) - Magnificent, Beautiful, Clean. A city, whose builder and maker is God. (Hebrews 11v10) With streets of gold and walls of precious stones. (Revelation 21v2) Continuous light – The glory of God shining all the time (Revelation 23v23)
 - A Home, My Father’s House, A Mansion with many rooms. (John 14 v2) A place where we can belong, rest, feel comfortable, and be loved - where no sinful thoughts, or the cares of this world, can enter and spoil.
 - God is there. Whilst on earth we cannot see God, but in Heaven, we will worship and know God fully with our sinless souls; seeing God the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, in His perfect human form, the one Who loved us so much that He died to save us to bring us into His Heaven. Our bodies will be resurrected to be made like Him.
 - A New Government and Laws. No more sin and death. (Revelation 21v2)
 - New Friends. We will meet every believer since Adam – Noah, Moses, Abraham & Sarah, Ruth, David, Isaiah, Paul, John, Peter, Mary, Martha, Lazarus, and all who will have been saved, through to the end of time.
- **The Only Way To Heaven is Jesus Christ - The Way, Truth, and Life.**
 - Many will not make it – No Map (Jesus is the only Way), No Passport (only repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ entitles us to enter into Heaven). No name in ‘The Lamb’s Book of Life’, Rev 21v27, (The Elect for whom Christ died)
 - Today is the Day of Salvation – Come to the Saviour in repentance, now.

The Apostle John wrote, “Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is”.