

John 14v4-7

Jesus has taught his anxious followers that he must go to his Father's house, and then says:

<sup>4</sup>You know the way to the place where I am going.'

<sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

<sup>6</sup>Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you really know me, you will know<sup>[b]</sup> my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.'

Second from these verses, the claim of Jesus to be the *only* way to God (v6).

Unlike other religious leaders Jesus does not say that the way to God in heaven is to follow his teaching. He says *I am* the way. We can only get to heaven through faith in Christ, because only he has made the way possible through his death on the cross. We rely upon His work, not ours. Salvation is by grace alone, not by our religious performance!

Jesus does not say that what he teaches is true (though it is), but *I am* the truth. He is truth incarnate. If we want to know the truth about what God is like we look at Jesus. The guessing games about whether there is a God or not are over. God came into the world in Jesus in order to reveal Himself to us. ([John 1:18](#))

Jesus does not say he offers a guide to life, but *I am* the life. The life we were designed by God to live. A life in relationship with God. God came into the world in Jesus in order to rescue us from living for our sinful selfish ways, thinking that was the best life, and to give us life to the full ([John 10:10](#)).

These are enormous claims, life-changing truths. Pray that God would press them home to your heart today. And pray for wisdom and courage to share these truths about Jesus with people you know who need to hear that the way to heaven is not by leading a good life but trusting in Christ alone.