John 14:15-31

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

1) 14:15 There is an inseparable link between love and obedience (1 John 2:3–5).

2) The profession of affection for God is in vain if there is no evidence that we follow His commandments.

3) 14:16-17 The Holy Spirit is the perfect substitute for the Lord Jesus Christ. Like Jesus, the Holy Spirit would teach (John 14:26), strengthen (Ephesians 3:16), and intercede for the disciples (Romans 8:26).

4) 14:17 Unable to receive the Spirit, "the world" demonstrates its real character—opposed to the Father (1 John 2:16).

5) 14:17 In the Old Testament, the Spirit came on believers for special capacity, but He now indwells every believer permanently (Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 12:13).

6) 14:18 There is no need to have a troubled heart when you have the very Spirit of God dwelling within you!

7) 14:21 Obedience is not the cause of salvation, but rather the inevitable result.

8) 14:23 Jesus will not reveal Himself to those who refuse to obey Him.

9) 14:23 When Jesus left in order to prepare 'dwelling-places' *for* believers, He simultaneously joined the Father in making 'dwelling-places' *in* believers.

10) 14:24 Mere duty will not generate obedience to Christ; only love for Him can do that.

11) 14:25 Just as Jesus would not leave the disciples without a source of comfort, so also He would not leave them without a source of truth.

12) 14:26 A function of the Spirit is teaching. He instructs us from within and brings to the memory God's Word.

13) Aware of the disciples' distress, Jesus points them to the ultimate sure sources of hope…the promise of their future, the triune God & the Word of God.

GREEK WORDS

Paraklētos — Helper, an intercessor, consoler :- advocate (defense attorney), comforter, counselor, exhorter, encourager; literally "one called alongside to help"

Allos — Another of the same kind

Heteros — Another of a completely different nature

Emphanizo, *em-fan-id'-zo*; to *exhibit* (in person) or *disclose* (by words)

:- appear, declare (plainly), inform, (will) manifest