Jesus' Last Conversation: Part II

I. Introduction

In the last session, we discussed what Jesus had to say to His disciples in the last hours before He gave His life for the forgiveness of sin. Three of the main points included:

A. Jesus is the Way to the Father

Jn 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, *I am the way*, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

There is no other way to the Father but by Jesus.

B. Believers will do Greater Works than Jesus

<u>Jn 14:12</u> Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, *the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.*

We will do the works of Jesus and even greater works because He went to the Father.

C. Jesus will Manifest Himself to Those Who Keep His Commandments

Jn 14:21, 23-24 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself unto him....23Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. 24He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

If you love God, you will keep His Commandments. If you don't love God, you won't.

II. Jesus shared more things with His Disciples Because He was Going Away.

A. Jesus did not want His Disciples to fall away because of persecution.

<u>Jn 16:1-4</u> These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. 2They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. 3And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. 4But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

They will persecute/kill you for they do not know God and think they do God service.

B. Jesus said that He was going to the Father.

Jn 16:5....But now I go my way to him that sent me.

<u>Jn 16:16-17, 28</u> A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

<u>Jn 16:28</u> I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

Jesus said repeatedly that He was going back to the Father in heaven.

C. Jesus said He will send the Comforter.

Jn 16:7-8 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8And when he is come, he will *reprove* the world of *sin*, and of *righteousness*, and of *judgment*

Reprove: Strong's 1651-convict, convince, tell a fault, rebuke
Sin: Strong's 266- offence, sin
Righteousness: Strong's 1343-equity, justification
Judgment: Strong's 2920-decision for or against, justice, accusation, damnation

<u>Jn 16:13</u> Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come.

Jesus was going to send the Comforter, also called the spirit of truth-the Holy Spiritwho would guide them in all truth, and show them things to come. Prophecy!

D. The Prince of this World is Judged

Jn 16:11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

The devil has been judged, accused, convicted of, damnation.

E. Jesus wanted to tell them more things.

Jn 16:12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

Jesus wanted to tell them more but they could not bear it (Mk 4:33).

F. Jesus said that they would experience sorrow then joy.

Jn 16:20-22 Verily, verily, I say unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and *ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy*. 21A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. 22And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

We have sorrow then joy; a joy that no one can take from us.

G. Jesus said to ask of the Father in Jesus' name.

<u>Jn 16:23-25</u> And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. 24Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. 25These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall show you plainly of the Father.

We ask the Father in the name of Jesus, and He will give it so our joy will be full.

H. Jesus said that every one of them would scatter and leave Him alone.

Jn 16:32 Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.

Jesus prophesied that they would all scatter and leave Him alone.

I. Jesus overcame the world.

<u>Jn 16:33</u> These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Jesus wanted us to have peace and good cheer because He overcame the world!

III. Jesus' Prayer as High Priest

In His last hours with His Disciples Jesus prayed to the Father.

A. Jesus asked that the Father glorify Him.

Jn 17:1, 4-5 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee....4I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. 5And now, O

Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

Jesus said that He had finished His work, and wanted to have His glory back that He had before the beginning of the world.

B. Jesus prayed for His Disciples.

1. Keep the Disciples so they can be one.

Jn 17:9, 11 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine....11And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. *Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one as we are.*

Jesus prayed that the Father would keep the disciples so that they would be one.

2. Keep the Disciples from evil.

<u>**Jn 17:15**</u> I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

Jesus prayed that the Father would keep His Disciples from the evil in the world.

3. Sanctify the Disciples through the Truth.

<u>Jn 17:17</u> Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

Jesus asked that the Disciples be set apart by God's word.

C. Jesus prayed for other Believers.

1. Jesus prayed that Believers would be one as the Father and Son are one.

<u>Jn 17:20-21</u> Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; 21*That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.*

Jesus wanted His disciples to be one so that the world would know God sent Him.

2. Jesus prayed that the glory given Him would be given to His disciples.

Jn 17:22-23 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: 23I in them, and thou in me, *that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.*

Jesus wanted us to have His glory, and to love each other as He loved us.

3. Jesus prayed that His Disciples would be with Him.

<u>Jn 17:24</u> Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

Jesus wanted us with Him to behold His glory from before the world's foundation.

4. Jesus prayed that the love wherewith thou hast loved me would be in them.

<u>Jn 17:26</u> And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: *that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.*

Jesus wanted Believers to love each other as the Father loved Jesus.

IV. Summary

Jesus spent His last night with His Disciples teaching the following:

- A. Jesus did not want His Disciples to fall away because of persecution.
- **B.** Jesus said that He was going to the Father.
- C. Jesus said He will send the Comforter.
- **D.** The Prince of this World is Judged.
- E. Jesus wanted to tell them more things but they could not bear to hear it.
- **F.** Jesus said that they would experience sorrow then joy.
- G. Jesus said to ask of the Father in Jesus' name.
- **H.** Jesus said that every one of them would scatter and leave Him alone.
- I. Jesus wanted us to have peace and good cheer because He overcame the world!

J. Jesus prayed to the Father for His Disciples:

- 1. Keep the Disciples so that they would be one.
- 2. Keep the Disciples from evil.
- 3. Sanctify the Disciples through God's Truth.

K. Jesus prayed for All Future Disciples (US):

- 1. Believers would be one as the Father and Son are one.
- 2. The glory given Him would be given to His disciples.
- 3. We would be with Him to behold His glory God gave before the world's foundation.
- 4. Believers are to love each other as the Father loved Jesus.