



**Sermon Series: *The Birth of Jesus Christ***

**Sermon Title: *Jesus... THE WAY***

**Scripture: John 14:1-11**

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## INTRODUCTION

**Jesus... THE I AM!**

**Jesus... THE LIGHT!**

**Jesus... THE LIFE!**

## I. JESUS... THE WAY

**“Jesus said to him, ‘I AM the way, and the truth, and the life.  
No one comes to the Father except through Me.’”  
(John 14:6)**

Note: This announcement of Jesus being “the way” begins with a declaration of peace, which is so appropriate and fitting because this is precisely what the angels said to the shepherds when they first announced the birth of Jesus!

“FEAR NOT, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:10-11)

**John 14:1 -**

**1) Jesus’ words here acknowledge that our hearts are often troubled!**

*“Let not your hearts ANY LONGER be troubled.”*

**John 14:2-4 -**

**2) The purpose of Jesus’ coming (and leaving!) is future reunion, not permanent separation!**

Note: That phrase “take you to myself” implies a close, face-to-face relationship.

**John 14:5-7 -**

**3) As the Perfect Mediator and Sacrifice, Jesus is “the way”:** the way to life, the way to heaven, and the way to truly know, have, and experience God as Father.

“For GOD SO LOVED the world, that HE GAVE His only Son, that WHOEVER BELIEVES in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.”

(John 3:16-17)

“Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is FROM ABOVE, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.”

(James 1:16-17)

“YOU make known to me the path of life;  
in YOUR PRESENCE there is fullness of joy;  
AT YOUR RIGHT HAND are pleasures forevermore.”

(Psalm 16:11)

Note: Jesus speaks with the greatest authority because He speaks as One who is one with the Father, as One who perfectly represents the Father, and as One who shows us the Father.

**John 14:7-11 -**

**4) As God, as the Word made flesh, as the Son who dwells in perfect love and unity with the Father, Jesus gladly does the will of the Father, Jesus brings salvation to completion, and Jesus shows us Who we really need.**

**Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...**

1. What kinds of things does Jesus promise to be and to do in verses 1-11?
2. What is especially encouraging about what Jesus says in this passage?
3. What is challenging and hard to understand in these verses?
4. Would you say that you know and have experienced Jesus as the way, the truth, and the life?
5. What kind of relationship does Jesus have with the Father? What is amazing about it?