Lessons in Sowing Faithfulness

Lesson 4 John 14:8-23 August 7, 2022

The Man Who Would Be King...

INTRODUCTION

In this passage, we get to experience the teachings of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit, three in one. People have asked to see the Father, including the disciple, Philip. Jesus tells us the Father is in Him and sent by Him to do His work. It is important not to miss it, so that you may believe in what Jesus has done for us.

We may face many hardships, even as Christians. If we love Jesus and obey His commands, He will send us the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is a gift from Jesus that will guide us through our struggles. How blessed are we to receive an amazing gift to teach us to be closer to God? Without the Spirit, we could not do it on our own.

Memory verse: "If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth." —John 14:15-17a

Pray, and read John 14:8-23. What questions or observations do you have about this passage?

OBSERVATION: What does the passage say?

1.	What does Philip say to Jesus? (John 14:8)
2.	Where is the Father? (John 14:11)
3.	What will Jesus give you if you love Him and keep His commands? (John 14:16-17)
4.	What won't Jesus do, and what will He do? (John 14:18)
5.	What is the relationship among Jesus, the Father, and a believer? (John 14:20)

INTERPRETATION: What do the passages mean?

1. Jesus says, "Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father." (John 14:9) How was the Father revealed to us through Jesus? (Isaiah 9:6; John 14:9, 12:45; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Philippians 2:6; Colossians 1:15; Hebrews 1:2)

2. How do we know Jesus is in the Father? (John 14:10-11, 20, 10:38, 17:21)

3. In John 14:15, what does Jesus mean when He says "keep my commands". (John 14:21, 23; 1 John 3:22, 24)

4.	The Father will give you another advocate, "the Spirit of
	truth". (John 14:17). What does the Spirit of truth do?
	(John 15:26, 16:13; 1 John 4:6, 5:6)

APPLICATION: How do the passages apply to your life?

1. Have you ever had doubts like Philip or Judas (not Judas Iscariot) about Jesus being in the Father?
Why or why not?

2. Name some specific examples of how the Holy Spirit has worked in you.

3. In what ways might you have trouble keeping Jesus' commands? Think about why that may be; pray, and ask Jesus for help to do so.