

SALEM HEIGHTS

THRIVING

IN THE WORD . IN PRAYER . IN FELLOWSHIP

HOPE IS THE EAGER ANTICIPATION AND CONFIDENT EXPECTATION
OF A FUTURE GUARANTEED BY GOD.

“Our “Thriving” passage for this week wraps up with this famous statement by our Savior, “I am the way and the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me.” Jesus is what the people of this dark world need and also Jesus is who God’s people need to focus on every day, to make it through each day. Before our passage begins, Judas had just left the room to go betray our Savior. Those who would truly live out love were left, though they did not know how to do it, so Jesus was completely on task to bring the Father glory in teaching His men about love. Jesus was instructing them all, but for sure notice Christ’s interaction with Peter who would deny Him that very night. If you get a chance, go and read every gospel account about Peter that evening. Then when you read our passage, put your thumb over the 14 at the chapter break and check out who Jesus is still speaking to and may it encourage you greatly.

No matter how you have been fairing over this past year, what is being said in this passage about hope, God and about man, will impact you, today, if we will let it. Have a great time in this passage, it’s awesome and it will never come back void.” — Pastor Matt

John 13:31—14:6

The New Command

³¹ When he had left, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you a little while longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so now I tell you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴ “I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

Peter’s Denials Predicted

³⁶ “Lord,” Simon Peter said to him, “where are you going?” Jesus answered, “Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow later.” ³⁷ “Lord,” Peter asked, “why can’t I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.” ³⁸ Jesus replied, “Will you lay down your life for me? Truly I tell you, a rooster will not crow until you have denied me three times.

The Way to the Father

14 “Don’t let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? ³ If I go away and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am you may be also. ⁴ You know the way to where I am going. ⁵ “Lord,” Thomas said, “we don’t know where you’re going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

1. What do you see about hope in this passage?

2. What does it teach us about God?

3. What does it teach us about man?

4. What should we do in light of this passage?