

GOSPEL

I am the way, the truth, and the life.

† A reading from the holy gospel according to John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples,
“Don’t be worried!
Have faith in God and have faith in me.
There are many rooms in my Father’s house.
I wouldn’t tell you this, unless it was true.
I am going there to prepare a place for each of you.
After I have done this,
I will come back and take you with me.
Then we will be together.
You know the way to where I am going.”

Thomas said, “Lord, we don’t even know where you are going!
How can we know the way?”

“I am the way, the truth, and the life!” Jesus answered.
“Without me, no one can go to the Father.
If you had known me,
 you would have known the Father.
But from now on, you do know him,
 and you have seen him.”

Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father.
That is all we need.”

Jesus replied:
“Philip, I have been with you for a long time.
Don’t you know who I am?
If you have seen me, you have seen the Father.

How can you ask me to show you the Father?
Don’t you believe that I am one with the Father
 and that the Father is one with me?
What I say is not said on my own.
The Father who lives in me does these things.

“Have faith in me when I say that the Father is one with me
 and that I am one with the Father.
Or else have faith in me simply because of the things I do.

“I tell you for certain that if you have faith in me,
you will do the same things that I am doing.
You will do even greater things,
 now that I am going back to the Father.”

The gospel of the Lord.