

Truths for Troubled Hearts

John 14:1

Intro: In these troubled times we all have anxieties, worries, and concerns. We should remember the words Jesus spoke to His disciples just before His crucifixion so we can ease our troubled hearts.

I. The Troubled Flock (1a)

- A. Troubled about the Christ (Separation)
- B. Troubled by the Crowd (What the world is going to do?)
- C. Troubled for the Cause (Coming events)

Jesus told them about:

II. True Faith (1b)

- A. God is in Control (Epicureans: World of chance created by chance)
- B. God is Concerned (Stoics: God is impersonal, He is not ours personally)
- C. God is our Conquer

Rom. 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than **conquerors** through him that loved us.

In all these things. In the very midst of them; while we are enduring them, we are able to triumph.

We are more than conquerors. We gain the victory. That is, they have not power to, subdue us; to alienate our love and confidence; to produce apostasy. We are the victors, not they. Our faith is not destroyed; our love is not diminished; our hope is not blasted. But it is not simple victory; it is not mere life, and continuance of what we had before; it is more than simple triumph; it augments our faith, increases our strength, and expands our love to Christ. The word used here is a strong, emphatic expression, such as the apostle Paul often employs, (comp. 2Co 4:17) and which is used with great force and appropriateness here.

Through him, etc. Not by their own strength or power. It was by the might of the Saviour, and by his power pledged to them, and confirmed by the love evinced when he gave himself for them.

Php 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

III. Terrific Future (2-3)

- A. Eternal Life
- B. Imminent Return
- C. Heavenly Home