

The image features a silhouette of a father and two children holding hands against a sunset sky. The father is in the center, holding the hands of a young girl on the left and a young boy on the right. The sky is a mix of soft pinks, oranges, and blues, with some light clouds. The overall mood is warm and affectionate.

FATHER'S DAY

We Believe!



Four Defining Truths of the Assemblies of God



Father's House

John 14



John 14

1 "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also. 4 "And you know the way where I am going." 5 Thomas *said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?" 6 Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.



John 14

7 "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him." 8 Philip *said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." 9 Jesus *said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10 "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.

Jesus and Father

- My Father:
 - Intimacy and co-existence
 - Will of my Father... not His own!
 - Even to the Cross - Thy will be done
 - In this we know Father's heart!

Troubled hearts

- Jesus KNOWS your heart...
 - “*tarasso*”: agitated, stirred up, disturbed
 - “stop letting this happen” ~ command!
 - Believe (2x) in GOD and ME...
 - Not faith in faith, but intimacy in HIM.

Father's house...

- Not of this world or creation...
 - Eternal, permanent, owned by God
 - Nothing here is permanent!
 - Many "*monar*" ~ places for living, space
 - No shortage, no rent issues! **MANY!**

Jesus the prepare-er

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- We need a place! Death destroyed...
- New life unshackled by sin and pain
- It is so, Jesus would tell us plainly!



Think about this...

Ephesians 1:18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, **19** and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might **20** which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, **21** far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

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- Where I am, you will be! AMEN!
- Riches, glory, power, seated with HIM

The Apostles Focus...

- You are going somewhere???
- They missed the promise, do we?
- We don't know where, how can we go?
- "I AM the way, the truth, the life..."
- Getting to Father is easy... in ME
- Show us...

When you see Me...

- God expressed through the Son
- "I am in the Father; the Father is in Me"
- Not to confuse us, but to encourage us!
- Father abiding in Jesus, Jesus in us...
- Father's House?... our hearts!

