Confident In Jesus

Tony Mauck · John 16:28–33

INTRODUCTION

- The Bible is Scripture. It is the revealed mind and will of the living God.
- I came from the Father, and I have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father. I think in one simple statement, we have a summary of Jesus' purpose.
- I want to talk to you further about my confidence. And not only God's word, but its central character, my confidence in Jesus.

1 You Know All Things

1 Peter 4:12; Psalm 147:4–5; Isaiah 55:8–9

- Do you display confidence in his knowledge of things? Well, we usually do. Until. Until his way does not seem to be the best way.
- This is the key to a right response to God.
- Do you believe that his way is right in everything? Because a lot of our problems spiritually come when we determine that his way is not right, that his way is not best.
- Why would we question any of its teaching or wisdom? When his understanding is infinite.
- His ways are higher than our ways, and his thoughts are higher than our thoughts.

2 Do You Now Believe?

John 19:35; John 20:31

- The whole point of the author is belief in Jesus.
- Jesus questions the degree of faith in his disciples.
- This is not about believing. This is about the strength of our convictions. The loyalty in our convictions. A faithfulness in spite of turbulent circumstances.
- Circumstances will challenge the strength of your convictions. And that's why Jesus says, Do you believe now?

3 I Am Not Alone

- Despite their desertion, his closest friends, Jesus affirms to them, I am not alone.
- Jesus was not deterred by the faithlessness of others. There is one relationship that is critical in all of our circumstances, and that is our relationship with God.
- Confidence in our relationship with God will strengthen us for any earthly circumstance, no matter how trying it may be.

4 In Me You Have Peace

Isaiah 9:6; Philippians 4:5–7; Romans 12:2

- In me you have peace. This is what all of us need.
- The peace of God that surpasses all comprehension shall guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- We don't have to be anxious about life's circumstances. The Lord is near.
- I have peace when I know that I am in a right relationship with my God and creator.
- I can have peace. Because I'm not afraid of dying.
- I have peace. Because I am confident that his ways are highest and best and good.

5 I Have Overcome the World

1 John 5:4; 2 Corinthians 4:17–18; John 17:5

- Everything that is opposed to God and militates against him, Jesus overcame. And so can we.
- My confidence in Jesus equips me to overcome also.
- That's why you need to be with Jesus, because ultimately he wins. And his people win with him.
- We need to be associated with the one who overcomes. So that we can overcome.
- I tell you, yes, without any apologies at all, that I am confident in Jesus.

THE CHALLENGE

Embrace His invitation. Purify your soul in obedience to His truth. And if you need to respond to His invitation this hour, let the Savior in while there's time and opportunity.

MY NOTES