

# SERMON NOTES

*Reason to Believe: When Trouble Comes!*  
*John 14:1-14*

To say that we are in “troubled” times is an understatement. Everywhere you turn, people are troubled and perplexed. Can you imagine what Jesus’ disciples must have felt and thought after His crucifixion? On the night before His death, Jesus tenderly comforted the disciples and prepared them to live with a confident faith after His resurrection! When you find yourself in a “troubled” time, I am confident that the Lord Jesus will comfort you and He will empower you to live with a confident faith!

**Key thought:** Jesus will comfort you and empower you to live with confident faith!

## **BE COMFORTED (vs. 1-6)**

Psalm 27:13-14; Isaiah 41:10; John 16:33; Romans 15:13; 2 Corinthians 1:3; Philippians 4:6-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort.  
*2 Corinthians 1:3*

“Trust goes much deeper than belief. Belief can be cold and intellectual; trust is warm and personal.” *John Philips*

- Belief that trusts in a person (v. 1b)
- Belief in a place (v. 2) (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
- Belief in a promise (vs. 3-4)
- Belief in a path (vs. 5-6)

## **BE CONFIDENT (vs. 7-14)**

Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. *Hebrews 10:35*

- You can know the Father (vs. 7-11)
- You will see God at work (v. 12)
- You can ask Jesus anything (vs. 13-14) (Jeremiah 29:13; Matthew 7:7, 18:19; Luke 11:13; John 15:7)