

"I AM The Way, The Truth, and The Life"

John 14:1-7

Introduction

Jesus says,

1. I AM The Bread Of Life. (John 6:35) … Dec. 27 & 28, 2025.
2. I AM The Light Of The World. (John 8:12) … Jan 31 & Feb.. 1, 2026.
3. I AM The Gate. (John 10:9 NIV) … Feb 21 & 22, 2026.
4. I AM The Good Shepherd. (John 10:11) … May 2 & 3, 2026.
5. I AM The Resurrection and The Life. (John 11:25-26)...July 4 & 5, 2026.
6. I AM The Way, The Truth, and The Life. (John 14:6)...**Today's Message.**
7. I AM The Vine. (John 15:5)

Introductory Questions

- Are you feeling lost?
- Are you confused?
- Are you feeling empty?

Brief Background of “I AM”

- The phrase “I am” is a direct translation of “ego eimi” in Greek.
- God explicitly reveals his name, "I AM," in the Old Testament, Exod 3:13-15.
- Jesus is literally equating himself with God, declaring himself to be God, and plainly stating that the "I AM" in Old Testament times is here with you and speaking to you right now.

Background Leading to John 14

- Jesus as “the resurrection and the life,” raised Lazarus from the dead…The chief priests and the Pharisees plotted to kill Jesus (John 11:25–26, 53).

- The chief priests also decided to kill Lazarus…“the reason many of the Jews were deserting them and believing in Jesus” (John 12:11 CSB).

- Despite this threat, many Jews actually believed in Jesus, including some rulers…“For they loved human praise

more than praise from God" (John 12:43 CSB).

- Jesus showed them how much he loved them by washing their feet.

- Judas would betray him…Peter would deny him (John 13:21–30, 36–38).

Looking at the Account of John 14:1–7

John 14:1–4: Jesus Encourages His Disciples and Assures Them of Their Future Destiny.

1"Don't let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? 3 If I go away and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am you may be also. 4 You know the way to where I am going."

- Even in this tense moment, with so much on his mind about what's to come, Jesus still reaches out to comfort his friends.

- The disciples are vulnerable to trouble because of their association with Jesus, who is wanted by the Pharisees.

John 14:5: Thomas Tells Jesus About Their Lack of Knowledge of Where He is Going.

5 "Lord," Thomas said, "we don't know where you're going. How can we know the way?"

- By this occasion, the disciples have been with Jesus for roughly three years.

- Yet, according to one of them, Thomas, they don't know where Jesus is heading or how to get there.

John 14:6–7: Jesus Answers Thomas with His I Am Statement—The Way, The Truth and The Life.

6 Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you know me, you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

“I Am The Way”

- The Greek word “hodos” means “a way; a road; a means of access.”

“I Am The Truth”

- The Greek word “aletheia” means “truth; divine truth revealed to man.”

“The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14 CSB)

“I Am The Life”

- The Greek word “zoe” means “life; living existence; source of life.”

“In him was life, and that life was the light of men.” (John 1:4 CSB)

“For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16 CSB)

<u>Five Practical Implications from John 14:1–7</u>

1. **We should trust God—the Father and the Son—by adopting an eternal perspective to overcome our troubles and anxious thoughts (14:1–4).**

2. **We should strive to know Jesus more for who he is than for what he can do for us.**

3. **We should relate to Jesus personally because he, as a person, relates to us personally (14:6).**

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   - October 10th until 14th.
   - A flyer with the detailed schedule.
   - Would you and your small group join?

4. **We should connect to each other more personally.**

5. **We should embrace Jesus as the only way to the Father, meaning the only one who can take us to the Father.**

Let's pray.

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