

## John 14 choral reading

CHARACTERS: Jesus (lines), John, All

SETTING: bare stage

RUN TIME:

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: John 14

JESUS: Children, I am with you a little while longer. I give you a new command:

ALL: Love one another.

JESUS: Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another.

JOHN: By this, all people will know that you are his disciples,

ALL: if you have love for one another.

JOHN: Your heart must not be troubled.

JESUS: Believe in God; believe also in Me.

ALL: In the Father's house are many dwelling places

JESUS: I am going away to prepare a place for you.

ALL: If Jesus goes away and prepares a place for us

JESUS: I will come back and receive you to Myself,

ALL: so that where Jesus is, we may be also.

JESUS: You know the way to where I am going.

JOHN: Jesus is in the Father and the Father is in Him.

JESUS: The words I speak to you I do not speak on My own.

ALL: The Father who lives in Jesus does His works.

JESUS: Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me.

ALL: Otherwise, believe because of the works themselves.

JOHN: The one who believes in Jesus will also do the works that he does.

ALL: And he will do even greater works than these, because Jesus is going to the Father.

JESUS: Whatever you ask in My name, I will do it

ALL: so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

JESUS: If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.

ALL: If we love him, we will keep his commands.

JOHN: Jesus I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever.

ALL: He is the Spirit of truth.

JOHN: The world is unable to receive Him because it doesn't see Him or know Him.

ALL: But we do know Him, because He remains with us and will be in us.

JESUS: I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.

ALL: In a little while, the world will see Jesus no longer,

JESUS: but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live too.

ALL: In that day, we will know that Jesus is in the Father,

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JESUS: You are in Me, and I am in you.

ALL: The one who has his commands and keeps them is the one who loves Jesus.

JESUS: And the one who loves Me

ALL: will be loved by My Father.

JESUS: I also will love him and will reveal Myself to him.

ALL: If anyone loves Jesus, he will keep his word.

JOHN: The Father will love him,

JESUS: and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

ALL: The one who doesn't love Jesus will not keep his words.

JESUS: The word that you hear is not Mine

ALL: but is from the Father who sent Jesus.

JESUS: I have spoken these things to you while I remain with you.

ALL: But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit—

JOHN: the Father will send Him in Jesus' name—

ALL: will teach us all things and remind us of everything Jesus has told us.

JESUS: Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you.

ALL: He does not give to us as the world gives.

JOHN: Your heart must not be troubled or fearful. You have heard Jesus tell us

JESUS: I am going away and I am coming to you. If you loved Me, you would have rejoiced that I am going to the Father,

ALL: because the Father is greater than Jesus

JESUS: I have told you now before it happens

ALL: so that when it does happen you may believe.

JESUS: I will not talk with you much longer,

ALL: because the ruler of the world is coming.

JESUS: He has no power over Me

ALL: On the contrary, Jesus is going away so that the world may know

JESUS: that I love the Father. Just as the Father commanded Me, so I do.