

United Evangelical Free Church  
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*Who is Jesus?*  
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# How can I get to heaven?

John 14:1-11

“The world has forgotten, in its concern with Left and Right, that there is an Above and Below.” Glen Drake

Nobel Prize-winning author William Saroyan lay dying from cancer in May of 1981. He picked up the phone next to his hospital bed and called the Associated Press. Getting a reporter on the line, he said, “Everybody has to die, but I always believed an exception would be made in my case. Now what?” Indeed—“now what?”

There is plenty of room in heaven for you, but there is only way to get there. Jesus is the way. He is the only one who can bring us to heaven.

<sup>1</sup> “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. <sup>4</sup> You know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.” <sup>8</sup> Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.” <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup> Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. <sup>11</sup> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.”<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *The Holy Bible: New International Version*. 1996, c1984 (electronic ed.). Grand Rapids: Zondervan.

❑ **There's plenty of room in heaven for you . . . (1-4)**

- The promise of heaven provides hope for troubled hearts (1)
  
- Jesus is preparing a place for us right now (2)
  
- He will come back for us (3-4)

❑ **. . . but there is only one way to get there (5-11).**

- How do we get there? (5)
  - Jesus is the way. He is the only one who can bring us to heaven (6-7)
  
- How can we know for sure? (8)
  - We have enough evidence to believe, but we need to act on what we already know (10-11)