THE WAY

December 20, 2020 John 14:1-9

Did you know that early Christians were called "followers of the Way (Acts 22:4)?" Our key verse is John 14:6 where Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

1. Why were the disciples upset?

- Why are you upset? Jesus said to Martha (Luke 10:41), "You are worried and upset about many things..."
- "Do not let your hearts be troubled...(John 14:1)." See 14:27
- Jesus had told his disciples that he was going away and that they couldn't go with him. 13:33,36-37 "Why did you leave me here all alone...?"
- For many people Christmas is a time of grief, a reminder of separation.

2. What hope did Jesus give his disciples?

- Everyone needs hope. Romans 15:13, "May the God of hope..."
- Jesus said, trust me when things are hard and you struggle with doubts. John 14:1, 16:33
- Never lose sight of your final destination: "My Father's house (14:2)."
- "I am going there to prepare a place for you (14:2)." You prepare something special for those you love.
- "I will come back and take you to be with me (14:3)..." You love to be together.
- As followers of Jesus we believe that the way we can be together after we die is, because we have put our faith and trust in Jesus (John 14:6).
- What do you do while you are not home yet? John 13:34-35.