



“Growing in Knowing”

1. Putting God First
2. I am the Bread of Life
3. I am the Light of the World
4. I am the Gate of the Sheep
5. I am the Resurrection and the Life
6. **I am the Way, the Truth and the Life**

John 14: 6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

1. Situation: Life is about finding the right way to accomplish God's purpose

When seeking for direction, three responses may be given:

1. The first one the person that you are asking for direction may not know anything about your address or the place you are looking
2. The second person may be willing to give you a distinct explanation of how to get where you are going;
3. The last one may be willing to take you to the where you are going. **Now, my question** is that, what kind of help you prefer to get so you may reach your destination?

The matter of life is finding the way, not just a way, or not a good one, a way that you prefer or you like, a way that your family have joined for long time, but instead finding **the Right Way**.

This lovely verse makes it clear that the Lord Jesus **Christ is Himself the way to heaven**. He does not merely show the way; He is the way. **Salvation is in a Person. Accept that Person as your own, and you have salvation**. Christianity is Christ. The Lord Jesus is not just one of many ways. He is the only Way. No one comes to the Father except through Him.

Jesus as the one way to the Father fulfills the Old Testament symbols and teachings that show the exclusiveness of God's claim such as the curtain (Ex. 26:33) barring access to God's presence from all except the Levitical high priest (Leviticus 16), the rejection of human inventions as means to approach God (Lev. 10:2), and the choice of Aaron alone to represent Israel before God in his sanctuary (Num. 17:5).

Jesus is the only "way" to God (Acts 4:12), and **He alone can provide access to God**. Jesus as the truth fulfills the teaching of the Old Testament (John 1:17) and reveals the true God (**John 18:37 - Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?"**)

Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice."

Jesus alone is the life that fulfills the Old Testament promises of "life" given by God (11:25–26), having experience in himself (1:4; 5:26), and he is thus able to confer eternal life to all those who believe in him (e.g., 3:16). This is another "I am" saying that claims deity (see note on 6:35).

2. Observation

Is Christ the only way to heaven?

Yes. No amount of good deeds, social action or humanitarian aid can gain an eternal reward. No other faith system can lead people to the one true God. Some people chafe at such an exclusive position, but the words of Jesus and the apostles himself leave no other option. See Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5. Also see article: What about those who never hear about Jesus? (Acts 4:12) - ***Acts 4:12** Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

The truth about John 14: 6 (I am the **way** and the truth and the life); is that Jesus Christ did not claim merely to know the way, the truth, and the life as a formula he could impart to the ignorant, but he claimed to be the answer to human problems.

He is the truth because he has the perfect power of making life one coherent experience irrespective of its ups and downs. ***Genesis 24:27** - And said, Praise be to the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who has given a sign that he is good and true to my master, by guiding me straight to the house of my master's family.*

1 Kings 17:24

Then the woman said to Elijah, Now I am certain that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is true.

Jesus is the life because he was not subject to death but made it subject to him. He died to demonstrate the power and continuity of his life. Because he is the way, the truth, and the life, he is the only means of reaching the Father (cf. 1:18).

Jesus is the only authorized revelation of God in human form, and he is the only authorized representative of humanity to God.

John 1:18

No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

3. Inspiration - Christ is a Sevenfold Way

1. **The only way to God** - *Matthew 7:14* - *Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.*
2. **The way of escape** - **1 Corinthians 10:13** - *No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.*
3. **The way into the holiest** - **Hebrews 10:19-23** - *Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.*
4. **The new and living way** - **Hebrews 10:20** - *by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh.*
5. **The way of truth** - **John 1:14** - *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*
6. **The right way** - **2Peter 2:15** - *They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;*
7. **The way of righteousness** **1Cor. 1:30** - *It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.*

4. Conclusion

Why is Jesus the Only Way?

Jesus says He is the only way for any person to have a relationship with God the Heavenly Father.

How? By believing in Jesus.