

THE UPPER ROOM DISCOURSE:
(A BRIEF)

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A. Jesus' Sermons:

1. The **Sermon on the Mount** (Mount of Olives)
(Matt. 5-7, including the Beatitude – Matt. 6:9-13)
2. The **Mystery Parables of the Kingdom** Discourse
(Matt. 13 - eight parables)
3. The **Olivet Discourse**
(Matt. 24-25 - What about the future?)
4. The **Upper Room Discourse**
(John 13-17)

B. Overview of the Gospel of John:

1. Chapter 1-12 - Jesus is the light
2. Chapter 13-17 - Jesus is the love
3. Chapter 18-21 - Jesus is the life

C. The Upper Room Discourse:

(John 13-17 - Jesus' teaching during the Last Supper)

Chapter 13:

1. Jesus performs foot washing, an example of service to others. – John 13:2-17
2. Jesus speaks of one who would betray Him; Judas leaves. – John 13:18-30
3. Jesus speaks of His glorification. – John 13:31-33
3. Jesus gives a new commandment: *“Love one another, even as I have loved you. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”* – John 13:34, 35
4. Peter's denial is prophesied. – John 13:36-38

Chapter 14:

1. Jesus promises His return for believers in the rapture. – John 14:1-5
2. Jesus gives His most familiar *“I am:” “I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through me.”* – John 14:6, 7
3. Jesus says that He is in the Father and the Father is in Him, and that they should believe in Him. – John 14:8-12 cf. Jn. 15:16
4. Jesus explains the power of prayer and the coming of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. – John 14:13-17
5. Jesus gives a preview of the upcoming Pentecost and the church age. – John 14:18-31

Chapter 15:

1. Jesus explains His 7th (or 10th) *“I am:” “I am the true vine.”* – John 15:1-8
2. Jesus restates His Father's love for Him, His own love for His followers, and tells them to abide in His love. – John 15:9-11
3. Jesus gives this commandment again: *“...love one another just as I have loved you.”* – John 15:12; cf. Jn. 13:34

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4. Jesus explains the greatest sacrificial love: “*Greater love has no man than this that he lay his life down for his friend.*” – John 15:13; cf. Jn. 10:11; Rom. 7:6-8
5. Jesus tells His “*friends*” (His disciples) “*that whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He may give to you.*” – John 15:14-16; cf. 1 John 5:14 – “*if we ask anything according to His will,...*”
6. Jesus commands again, “*that they love one another.*” – John 15:17; cf. Jn.12:34; John 15:12
7. Jesus says that the world hated Him, and the world will hate you. – John 15:18-25
8. The Holy Spirit will come and bear witness of Me, and you will bear witness of Me as well. – John 15:26, 27

Chapter 16:

1. Jesus continues to explain why His disciples would be outcasts from the synagogue and be martyred because those who hate them do not know the Father, or Him. – John 16:1-4
2. Jesus speaks of His departure. – John 16:5, 6
3. Jesus explains that the ministry of the Holy Spirit cannot come to them until He leaves. – John 16:7
4. Jesus explains the specific ministry of the Holy Spirit to the unsaved. He will convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment – John 16:8-11
5. Jesus says that the Holy Spirit will guide them into all truth. – John 16:12-15
6. Jesus prophesies His death and resurrection. -John 16:16-22
7. Jesus speaks about the direction of prayer in the days following His resurrection and ascension, “*In that day...*” – John 16:23-28
8. The disciples seemed to understand what Jesus was telling them but He questions their depth of faith, telling them that they would be scattered and leave Him alone; but He said, “*I am not alone because the Father is with me.*” – John 16:29-32
9. Jesus spoke all these things that in Him they would have peace in the midst of tribulation because He had overcome the world. – John 16:33

Chapter 17: (The Lord’s Prayer)

1. The Lord prays for Himself: Father, “*glorify Thy Son, that the Son may glorify Thee.*” – John 17:1-5
2. The Lord prays for His disciples: - John 17:6-19
“*...they believed that Thou didst send Me.*” (John 17:8)
“*Sanctify them in the truth, Thy word is truth.*” (John 17:17)
3. The Lord prays for all believers: - John 17:20-26
I ask “*for those also who believe in Me through their word.*” (John 17:20)
The Lord prayed, “*...that they also whom Thou hast given Me be with Me where I am, in order that they may behold My glory,...*” (John 17:24)