

Lenten Reflection

Week 4

John 14.1-6

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'

A Prayer Based on John 14:6

Dear loving God,
we come to you to worship you and to give you thanks.
We come in our weakness and with our anxieties.
The situation that this world is in now may be 'unprecedented' but you have always been by our side and there have always been people of prayer.

So, we use words written by Erasmus from the 15th century.

O Lord Jesus Christ,
you have said that you are the way, the truth, and the life.
Do not let us stray from you who are the way,
nor to distrust you who are the truth,
nor to rest in anything other than you,
who are the life.
Teach us by your Holy Spirit,
what to believe, what to do,
and where to take our rest.
We ask it for your own name's sake.
Amen

Desiderius Erasmus