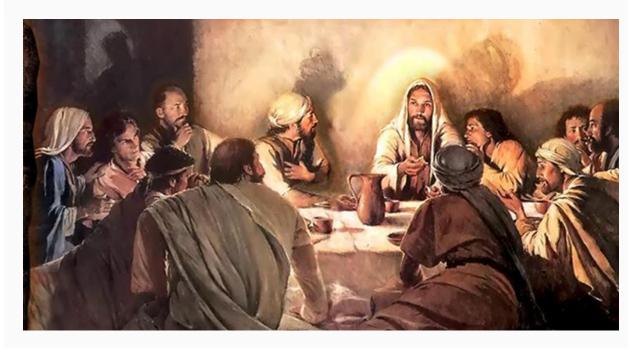
Tomorrow we will start studying the greatest teaching by the greatest Teacher



Yeshua "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away." John 16:1

The Greatest Teaching by the Greatest Teacher

Yeshua is undoubtedly the greatest teacher of all time. But what is His greatest and most important teaching? I believe that teaching is found in John 13-17. This Upper Room Discourse contains Yeshua's final words shared with his twelve disciples before He went to the cross. This was given before a time of great challenge and difficulty. Yeshua would be taken away from them in death, the disciples would all be scattered in unbelief, they would suffer the betrayal of one of their team members, and many more challenges.

I believe there is a parallel between the difficulty that the disciples experienced and the coming difficulty on planet earth in the time preceding Yeshua's return. Just as Yeshua's words were to encourage and strengthen His friends at that time, these words are meant to also be an encouragement and strength

for us now and in the days to come. Yeshua states that He spoke these words so that we would have joy (15:11) and so that we would not fall away (16:1). These are very important promises to claim and hold onto.

At tomorrow's service we will start an introductory overview of these five chapters. Over the next couple years we plan to exegetically teach through these five chapters when we all meet together. We will take breaks for the festivals, special speakers, testimonies, etc. but will plan to slowly and systematically teach through these chapters. It is our hope that in so doing we will not just gain Bible knowledge but greater living understanding as to what God would want to impart to us from these verses.