

Motivation for Jn 14: 1-12

A room has been prepared for us, a place prepared for us by someone who knows us far better than we do ourselves. While it is very easy during these oft-called 'strangest of times' (as in all times) to feel out of place, the Word reminds us that we are loved and cherished and treasured, and that the best of all places still awaits us.

How do we get to this place? Is there a right way to this place? It is perhaps very easy during this time when we are confined to the spaces and places of our homes to feel unsure of what we are called to, and to doubt our ability to serve and know and love God. But let us take heart in the words of the prophet Isaiah: *The people I have shaped for myself will broadcast my praises.*

Even if we do not know yet what we have to offer, remember that He has prepared places for us with Him, for he knows that we are coming to Him. He knows that *you* are coming to Him. In this Lectio let us remember that He has made room for us, for the individuals that we are, for the special and individual ways in which we love and serve Him. Hope in Him, hold firm and take heart!