

The Gospel According to John: The Passion of the Christ

Lesson 24: The Work of the Holy Spirit
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Background

Jesus prepares his apostles to be rejected and hated by the world. This realization helps them appreciate the importance of the work of the Holy Spirit in their ministries. Eventually, their sorrow will turn into joy!

The Work of the Holy Spirit (John 15:26-16:15)

► Explore It

1. What would the Counselor do when He came? (15:26)
2. Why did Jesus say that His disciples must testify about Him? (15:27)
3. For what reason did Jesus tell the disciples these things? (16:1,4)
- * 4. What was going to happen to the disciples for following Christ? (16:2-3)
5. Where did Jesus tell His disciples He was going? (16:5)
6. What hadn't the disciples asked Jesus? (16:5)
7. How did Jesus' disciples feel about His leaving? (16:6)
8. Why was it for His disciples' benefit that Jesus was leaving? (16:7)
- * 9. What would the Counselor do for the world? (16:8)
10. What would the Counselor do for the world when He came? (16:8-11)
- * 11. What did Jesus say about the prince of this world? (16:11)
- * 12. What would the Spirit of truth do for Jesus' disciples when He came? (16:12-14)
13. In what way would the Spirit bring Jesus glory? (16:14-15)
14. When would the disciples see Jesus? (16:16)

► Get It

15. How does the Holy Spirit testify about Jesus to the world?
16. How are you a testimony for Jesus?
17. Why do most people feel guilty when they commit a sin?
18. If you had been one of Jesus' disciples, how would you have felt about His leaving?
19. How is the Holy Spirit convicting the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment?
- * 20. What role do Christians & the church play in prodding the conscience of the world?
- * 21. How does the Holy Spirit teach believers?

► Apply It

- * 22. How can you seek the Holy Spirit's guidance in reaching people who are in sin?
 23. How does the Holy Spirit convict the world of sin?
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Related Questions

- * Why do Christians often feel comfortable discussing the Father & Son, but not the Holy Spirit?
- * Why did the Holy Spirit give the apostles & certain early disciples miraculous abilities?
- * Are the promises of verses 13 & 23 for all Christians or were they specific to the apostles?

Note: Study guides for this series of lessons are available on the Internet at www.howellfamily.us/john.htm