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### **The Coming Of The Holy Spirit** **Jn. 16:5-15**

Jesus is preparing His disciples for His departure to the Father and the coming of the Holy Spirit for in a few hours He will be arrested and delivered to judgment.

Jesus wanted His disciples to know the future was not going to be easy for persecution awaited them, they would have to live by faith in their commitment to the Kingdom of God as they depended on the Holy Spirit after His departure.

So Jesus turned His focus on the work of the Holy Spirit in view of three things. Jn. 16:5-15

- I. In view of the departure of Jesus. vs. 5-7
- II. In view of the world's rejection of Jesus. vs. 8-11
- III. In view of the understanding of the disciple about the Holy Spirit and the words of Jesus! vs. 12-15

#### **I. In view of the departure of Jesus. vs. 5-7**

A. The coming of the Holy Spirit was due to the departure of Jesus. vs. 5

- 1. Jesus had told them about the persecution that was coming. Jn. 16:1-4

- a. The word “but” marks the sharp contrast of the coming persecution after His departure and the coming of the Holy Spirit. vs. 5a
  - b. Jesus did not want His disciples to be caught unawares, “These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.” Jn. 16:1-2  
\* The word stumble “skandalizo” means to trip and cause a person to distrust and desert the one they ought to trust and obey. vs. 1
  - c. Jesus said the persecution by the Jews would come because they did not know the Father nor Jesus. vs. 3
  - d. The intent of Jesus was for His disciple to recall His words, “But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.” 4a-c
2. Jesus was returning to the Father, “now I go away to Him who sent Me.” vs. 5a
- a. The disciples heard this many times from Jesus, two are in the previous chapter.
    - 1) “You have heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away and coming back to you.’” Jn. 14:28a-b

- 2) "I said, I am going to the Father," for My Father is greater than I." Jn. 14:29e-f
- b. The word sent is a key word in the gospel of John as we have noted.
  - 1) Jesus asserted the Father sent Him using the word "pempo" 25 times and the word "apostello" 18 times.
  - 2) A total of 43 times in John's gospel.
- c. The sending of Jesus by the Father and His coming were according to prophecy.
  - 1) Such as His virgin birth and location. Gen. 3:15; Is. 7:14; Mic. 5:2
  - 2) Such as His sufferings. Ps. 22; Is. 53
- d. The Father commissioned Jesus as His representative at His coming.
 

\* "No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him." Jn. 1:18
- e. The mission of Jesus was about to be finished by His death on the cross and resurrection, out from the dead.
  - 1) His words from the cross were, "So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit." Jn. 19:30
  - 2) Jesus was returning to the Father after He made redemption for the sins of the world. 2Cor. 5:21; 1Jn. 2:2

3. Jesus told them they had left out the most important question, "and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'" vs. 5b-c
  - a. The disciples had not ask the spiritual significance of Jesus returning to the Father and how it would benefit them.
    - 1) Peter asked selfishly to be with Jesus, Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, where are You going?" Jn. 13:36
    - 2) Thomas asked out of frustration, "Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" Jn. 14:5
  - b. The Holy Spirit was going to be sent to them from Jesus and the Father to continue the work and ministry of Jesus.
    - 1) This is clearly stated. Jn. 14-16
    - 2) The Holy Spirit would empower them for service. Acts 1:8
- B. The coming of the Holy Spirit was due to the departure of Jesus, yet the disciples were overcome about His leaving, "But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart." vs. 6
  1. The eleven disciples had followed Jesus for three and a half years, left all and now He was about to leave. Jn. 14:1
    - a. Their hearts now were gripped with fear, anxious and disturbed by the very thought of His leaving them!

- b. Though Jesus had told them many times, they wanted Jesus to stay with them.
- 2. That is why Jesus warned them of coming persecution, as we pointed out. Jn. 16:2
  - a. They would be put out of the synagogues.
  - b. They would be killed by those thinking they were doing a service to God.
- 3. The eleven disciples were also told the reason the Jew would do this, they did not know the Father nor Jesus. Jn. 16:3
  - \* They were religious men with no relationship to or with God!
- 4. The words of Jesus about His leaving, this one thing, filled their hearts with sorrow.
  - a. The word sorrow “lup” means pain, grief, annoyance, affliction or of a person’s mourning, appearing four times in this chapter. vs. 6, 20, 21, 22
  - b. This one thing about His leaving had overwhelmed them with a painful grievous disappointment taking their joy and hope away.
    - 1) This happens at times in the life of Christians when they encounter some painful disappointment, causing them to become resentful, hard hearted or bitter!
    - 2) They allow that one thing, that one disappointment in life to rob them of all their joy, hope and love of Jesus!

- C. The coming of the Holy Spirit, due to the departure of Jesus was for the benefit of the disciples. vs. 7
  - 1. Jesus told them even though they did not understand His leaving, He was being truthful, “Nevertheless I tell you the truth.” vs. 7a
    - a. The pronoun “I” is emphatic referring to His character.
      - \* He said to the Pharisees one day, “Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell you the truth, why do you not believe.” Jn. 8:46
    - b. The focus was His ultimate authority being sent from the Father.
      - \* He never quoted any of the past Rabbis or Fathers, but only that the Father had sent Him.
  - c. The information could be counted on.
    - 1) The word truth “aletheia” means what is true in any matter under consideration, that which is trustworthy and reliable and is used for the gospel in the New Testament.
    - 2) The word is used for the person of Jesus by the disciples of the Pharisees and Herodians. Matt. 22:16
    - 3) The word is used by the woman with the issue of blood as she told Jesus the whole truth about touching the hem of His garment. Mk. 5:33

2. Jesus told them that His leaving was essential for their benefit, “It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.” vs. 7b-f
  - a. The Holy Spirit would not come if Jesus did not depart back to the Father.
    - 1) The ministry of Jesus was limited by His physical presence able to be only at one place at a time through His Incarnation.
    - 2) The ministry of the disciples would be limited if He stayed, in fact would not exist, in that the disciples would not receive the empowerment to be His witnesses. Acts 1:8
  - b. The Holy Spirit would be sent by Him when He departed.
    - 1) The Father would send the Holy Spirit. Jn. 14:16, 26
    - 2) The Son is also would send the Holy Spirit. Jn. 15:26; 16:7f
    - 3) There is no contradiction, due to the fact that He and the Father are one, if they had seen Jesus, they had seen the Father also. Jn. 14:9

### **Illustration**

The Holy Spirit is like our nervous system, it enables the function and efficiency to the entire body.

### **Application**

1. The Holy Spirit now enables the believer to live their Christian lives.
  - \* “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.” Gal. 2:20-21
2. The Holy Spirit is now in the Age of Grace is picking a bride for Jesus.
  - \* “For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.” 1Thess. 4:16-18
3. The Holy Spirit is restraining the appearance of the antichrist until Jesus returns for His church in rapture.
  - \* “For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.” 2Thess. 2:7-8

*The work of the Holy Spirit coming was in view of the departure of Jesus!*

**II. In view of the world's rejection of Jesus. vs. 8-11**

- A. The coming of the Holy Spirit would convict the world of three things. vs. 8
  - 1. The time of the coming of the Holy Spirit, "And when He has come." vs. 8a
    - a. The one coming of the Holy Spirit is not a force or wind, the personal pronoun is capitalized to identify the third person of the Trinity.
    - b. The Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost, fifty days after Jesus rose out from the dead. Acts 2
  - 2. First, "He will convict the world of sin." vs. 8b
    - a. The word convict "elegchano" means to pronounce a judicial verdict of the guilty part as fixed whether they acknowledge it or not and does not guarantee repentance on their part, though it is possible as well as desirable.
    - b. The location is identified as the world "kosmos" in this context it means the inhabitation on planet earth, the mass of humanity of every generation.
    - c. The word sin "hamartia" means to miss the mark.

- 1) The word comes from an old English game of archery.
- 2) They would try to shoot arrows through hoop, when a person missed, they would call him a sinner, they had missed the mark inside the hoop.
- 3) The entire human race has missed the mark when it come to perfection.
  - \* "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," Rom. 3:23
- 4. Second, "He will convict the world of righteousness." vs. 8c
  - a. The word righteousness "dikaiosisune", in a broad sense means the state of him who is as he ought to be, to be acceptable and approved by God, which is faith in Jesus.
  - b. The quality encompasses integrity, virtue, purity of life, rightness, correct thinking, feeling and action.
    - 1) Those believing in Jesus when persecuted for righteousness sake are said to be blessed, for there is theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matt. 5:10
    - 2) The believer is to seek the kingdom of God first and His righteousness, then all other things of life shall be added on to him. Matt. 6:33
- 5. Third, "He will convict the world of judgment." vs. 8d

- a. The inhabited world of humanity is dead in trespasses and sins and under the wrath of God. Jn. 3:36; Eph. 2:1  
\* This is very difficult for unbeliever to understand or accept!
  - b. The word Judgment “krisis” means an opinion or decision given concerning anything, especially concerning justice and injustice, right of wrong, resulting in the sentence of condemnation, damnatory judgment and punishment, the context is at the Second Coming of Jesus.
    - 1) The Scriptures tell us the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment to the Son. Jn. 5:22
    - 2) The Scriptures tell us some people’s sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of other men follow later. 1Tim. 5:24
  - c. The clear teaching of the Scriptures is all will be judged for their sins at the White Throne Judgment. Rev. 20:11-15  
\* The Scriptures also tell us it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment. Heb. 9:27
- B.** The Holy Spirit would convict the world for the rejection Jesus. vs. 9  
\* Jesus interprets the three general things to specific things, the first is, “of sin, because they do not believe in Me.”

- 1. The word believe “pisteuo” means to commit oneself unto or be persuaded with full confidence and is in reference to Jesus.
  - a. Jesus said, “Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.” Jn. 8:24  
\* Salvation is a choice by each person!
  - b. Jesus also said, “If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.”. Jn. 15:22  
\* They greater measure of light by Jesus brought the greater the judgment!
- 2. The sin at the forefront of the ministry of the Holy Spirit to the world indicates the unbelieving mass of humanity, it is the judgment of their guilt regarding the rejection of the person of Jesus Christ.
  - a. The world rejects Jesus as coming from heaven and sees Him just as a good man.
  - b. The world rejects Jesus as being God and declare Him to be only one of the many prophets and religious men.
  - c. The world rejects Jesus as being the way, the truth and the life and think it is absurd that Jesus meant that all other ways to God are false.
  - d. The world rejects Jesus as the Savior of the world and thinks that other religious leaders have God’s truth.

- e. The world rejects the message of Jesus, that man has to repent to enter the kingdom of God, thinking that man is good enough within himself.

**C.** The Holy Spirit will convict the world for rejecting the righteousness of Jesus. vs. 10

\* Jesus interprets the second one, “of

righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more.”

1. The righteousness of Jesus is affirmed by the fact that He was going to the Father.
  - a. The Father is God and utterly holy , unapproachable by anyone is unholy except through the proper provision of a blood sacrifice of Jesus.
  - b. The Father had testified several times, at His baptism and Mount of Transfiguration, that Jesus was His Son in whom He was well pleased and that all were to hear Him out. Matt. 3:17; 17:5
2. The righteousness of Jesus is affirmed also by the fact that He would no longer be seen by the disciples in a physical presence.
  - a. His absence from the earth would imply His arrival at the Father’s throne.
  - b. His absence from the earth would be confirmed by the Holy Spirit coming.

**D.** The Holy Spirit will convict the world for rejection the judgment of Satan. vs. 11

\* Jesus again interprets the third one, “of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.”

1. The judgment of sin on the cross by Jesus was the payment to God the Father for the sins of the world, due to the fall of Adam.
  - a. Adam was the First Adam, who by his disobedience introduced sin and death and by that particular act sin nature and death passed to all humanity, as the federal head of the human race. Rom. 5:1
  - b. Jesus on the other hand is the Last Adam, “God made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin that we might be the righteousness of God in Him.” 2Cor. 5:21; 1Cor. 15:45
  - c. “And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours, but also for the whole world. 1Jn. 2:2
2. The judgment of sin on the cross in the person of Jesus was also the destruction of the power of Satan over fallen man.
  - a. The promise was given right after the fall, Satan would bruise the heel of the Messiah, a temporary wound, but the Messiah would bruise the head of Satan, destroying his authority, he is called the prince and power of the air, the spirit that works in the children of disobedience. Gen. 3:15; Eph. 2:2

- 1) Jesus defeated Satan at His temptation in the wilderness, at the cross and descension spoiled principalities and power, making an open display of them. Matt. 4; Col. 2:14
- 2) The natural man is held captive to do Satan's will, due to the blinding of his mind by him, and called the god of this world. 2Cor. 4:4; 2Tim. 2:26
- b. The word ruler "archon" means chief prince or commander, the anointed Cherub, second to God, who rebelled and led and deceived one-third of the angels against God. Is. 14; Ezk. 28; Rev. 12:4
- c. Jesus declared all this plainly to His disciples.
  - 1) Jesus said to His disciples, "I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me." Jn. 14:30
  - 2) Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out." Jn. 12:31
3. The judgment of Satan, who introduced sin to the human race through Adam has already taken place, it is just a matter of time before he will be sentenced to be cast into the Lake of Fire, Gehenna.
  - a. Gehenna was made for Satan and his angels. Matt. 25:41

- b. Gehenna will receive Satan, the Beast and False prophet to be tormented day and night forever and ever. Rev. 20:10

### **Illustration**

The rejection of the Holy Spirit's witness of Jesus by the world, as to who He is and what He accomplished for the redemption of man, is like a person rejecting the laws of the land and living as they want, bring total destruction to themselves!

### **Application**

1. Sin-nature is the source of all sin and every human being born into this world has a sin-nature.
  - a. Man is created in the image and likeness of God, so even in our fallen state, we have some potential for good, but out bent is usually for evil, be it in thought, word, dact or deed.
  - b. The problem is not the environment, the culture or even the education, these only help us to commit evil, it is the heart of man that is evil and desparately wicked above all things. Jer. 17:9, Matt. 15:19-20
2. The evidence of the sin nature of man is recorded in history.
  - a. Over the past 3,400 of man's history there have been 268 years of peace, or about 8%!
  - b. 63 million babies have been murdered by abortion since 1973, Roe verse Wade.
  - c. Look at the presnt perversion and confusion about multiple sexs being taught and embraced,

when in reality there are only two sexes, male and female, which are easily identified by their chromosomes and confirmed by their genitalia.

\* “For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin. As it is written: “There is none righteous, no, not one; There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.” Rom. 3:9d-12

3. The tragedy is not that the sins of a sinner cannot be forgiven, but rather that man refuses to acknowledge he is a sinner in need of a Savior, Jesus Christ.

- a. Man does not believe there is sin.
- b. Man does not believe Jesus is God, Who became man and died for the sins of the world and able to forgive any and all sins.
- c. Man does not believe there is a hell, but hopes there is a heaven.
- d. Man will not be judged and condemned to eternal separation from God for the sins he committed, but for not asking God to forgive him of his or her sins by repenting to be saved.

\* “The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, They have done abominable works, There is none who does good.” Ps. 14:1

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### III. In view of the understanding of the disciple about the Holy Spirit and the words of Jesus! vs. 12-15

- A. The Holy Spirit would reveal to them what they could not understand. vs. 12
  - 1. Jesus had many more things to tell His disciples, “I still have many things to say to you.” vs. 12a
    - a. Often Jesus told His disciples, “Are you yet without understanding.” Matt. 15:16
    - b. John tells us that if all the things that Jesus said were written one by one, the world could not contain the books that would be written. Jn. 21:25
    - c. Jesus said He would teach them many other things by the Holy Spirit. Jn. 14:26
  - 2. Jesus knew they could not bear the future information at the present time, “but you cannot bear them now.” vs. 12b
    - a. The word to bear “bastazo” means to take up with the hands or to take up in order to carry or bear, to put upon one's self with the sense of being burdensome.
    - b. The Holy Spirit had not been given to the church as of yet, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Jn. 7:39
    - c. The word is used spiritually and literally.
      - 1) “We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves.” Rom 15:1

- 2) “From now on let no one trouble me,  
for I bear in my body the marks of the  
Lord Jesus.” Gal. 6:17

**B. The Holy Spirit would lead them. vs. 13**

- \* “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”
1. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity, “However, when He.” vs. 13a-b
    - a. The personal pronoun “He” indicates a person, the Third person of the Godhead.
    - b. The Holy Spirit is not a force or power.
  2. The Holy Spirit is identified as, “the Spirit of truth.” vs. 13c
    - a. The word truth “aletheia” means what is true about any matter in consideration, in context all the things of and about God.
    - b. The same word used for Jesus, He can be relied on with full confidence. Jn. 14:6b
  3. The Holy Spirit would direct the disciples, “has come, He will guide you into all truth.” vs. 13d-e
    - a. The word guide “hodegeo” means to lead on one’s way or teach, they were to follow His leading in spiritual truth.
    - b. The truth is all inclusive regarding the things of God, not subjective or emotional feelings.

4. The Holy Spirit would represent Jesus, “for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak.” vs. 13f-g Jn. 14:16
  - a. The word authority “heautou”, means Himself, He is not the source of the words, but only the messenger, the agent.
  - b. He was the other comforter or advocate, just like Jesus, His representative,
5. The Holy Spirit would reveal future things, “and he will tell you things to come.” Jn. 16:13h
  - a. Revealing danger, famines, etc. Amos 3:7; Acts
  - b. Revealing spiritual truth of the New Testament. 2Tim. 3:16-17; 2; Pet. 1:20-21

**C. The Holy Spirit would glorify Jesus. vs. 14-15**

1. The Holy Spirit will be involved with the glory of Jesus, not Himself. “He will glorify Me.” vs. 14a
2. The reason is that the Holy Spirit only takes what pertains to Jesus, “for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.” vs. 14b
3. The explanation about the totality of all that the Father has belongs to Jesus is stated, “All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.” vs. 15

**Illustration**

The Holy Spirit is like a GPS, guiding, directing, teaching and speaking to us through the word.

**Application**

\* The Christian by his natural man cannot understand or comprehend the things of God. 1Cor. 2:9-16

1. Man needs to be dependent on Jesus constantly, “But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” vs. 9

2. Man is taught by the Holy Spirit through the word of God, “But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.” vs. 10

3. Man must distinguish between the two spirits, “For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.” vs. 11

4. Man who repents can understand the word of God, “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.” vs. 12

5. Man lives by the wisdom of Gd, “These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.” vs. 13

6. Man in his natural state is ignorant and clueless about the things of God, “But the natural man does

not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.” vs. 14

7. Man born again can absolutely know spiritual truth, “But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one.” vs. 15

8. The reason, “For “who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?” But we have the mind of Christ.” vs. 15-16

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**Conclusion**

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