

Title: Simply Jesus: The Holy Spirit. Scripture: John 16:1-15 Date: 10082017 Bible Version: NKJV

BOTTOM LINE: The departure of Jesus provided an opportunity for the Holy Spirit to be a part of our daily lives.

Vs. 1

These things I have spoken to you - Jesus has been communicating some very important things to the disciples.

You should not be made to stumble - Jesus told them these things for the simple reason so that would not stumble.

Vs. 2

They will put you out of the synagogues - Jesus was preparing them for the inevitable.

Whoever kills you will think he offers God service - This would be the case for a man named Saul.

Through most of history, most Christian martyrs were targets of those from other religions or even sects within Christendom.-Guzik

Vs. 3

They have not known the Father nor Me - Why would people do these things to the disciples? It's simple, it's because they did not know the Father or Jesus.

You may remember - Why was Jesus sharing this? He wanted them to remember.

The Word of God was given to us so that we would remember.

Vs. 5-6

Sorrow has filled your heart - Jesus knew that the disciples were filled with sorrow and their minds were filled with unanswered questions.

Jesus' departure was an essential step in their growth as disciples.-Guzik

Change can bring about spiritual growth in our lives.

Vs. 7

It is to your advantage - Jesus explained that the disciples would benefit when He left.

If I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you - Jesus explained the reason again. The Father would send the Holy Spirit when the work of Christ was complete.

The Holy Spirit would be the advantage given to believers.

Vs. 8

He will convict the world - Jesus tells the disciples that when the Holy Spirit came, He would convict the world.

Convict - refute, convict, find fault and correct.

As believers it is not our job to convict people of their sin or convince others of Christ, that is the job of the Holy Spirit.

Vs. 9

They do not believe in Me- Jesus gives them the criteria for one being convicted. They do not believe in Him.

Vs. 10

I go to My Father and you see Me no more- Jesus explained that when He went to the Father, the disciples would see Him no more.

Even though they would not see Jesus again, the Holy Spirit would continue to minister to them.

Vs. 11

The ruler of this world is judged- Satan and his rebellious army of demons will be judged.

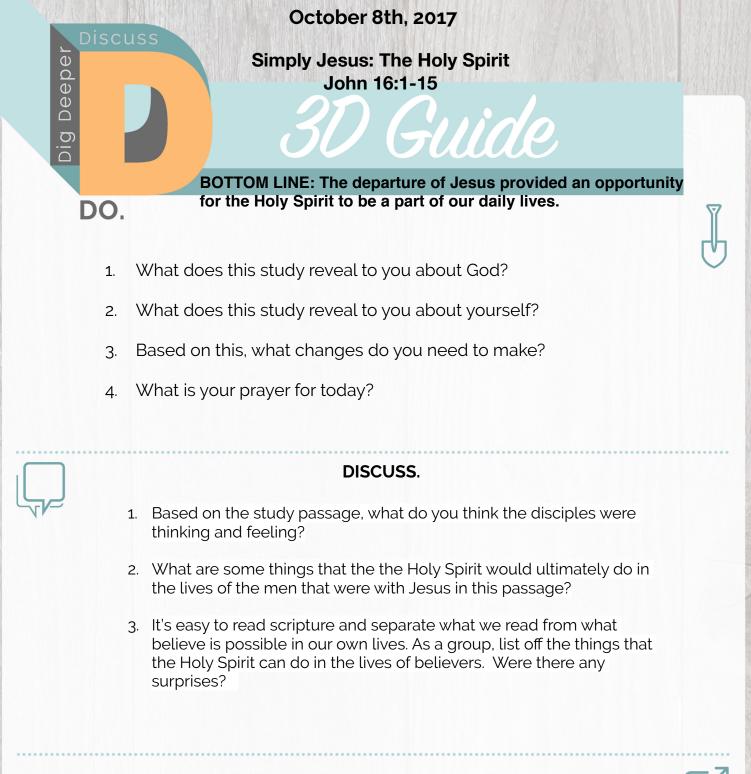
This should give us good reason to consider who or what we follow. Following Christ leads to life. Following anything else leads to death and judgement.

Vs. 12

You cannot bear them now- Jesus may have looked around at the disciples and upon doing so, He knew that this teaching would have to continue some other time and in some other way. This was heavy, life changing stuff that He was talking about.

Vs. 13-15

He will guide you- Jesus tells the disciples (and us) that the Holy Spirit would continue the teaching process.



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Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on <u>blueletterbible.com</u> or with their app.



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TAKE **HOME**

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DATE: October 8th, 2017

Scripture: Psalm 23 & 1 Samuel 17

Take Home Questions:

1. Why was everyone afraid of Goliath? (Because he was a giant and was threatening to fight God's people)

2. Did King Saul's army take action against their fear or did they let their fear control them? (Let their fear control them)

3. Was David afraid of Goliath? (No) Why not? (He knew God would help him)

4. Since David knew God would help him, did he take action or let his fear control him? (Took action and defeated Goliath)

Memory Verse: "God is my shepherd. He gives me everything I need. He gives me good food and water. He shows me the right way to go. Even when I'm scared, I know He is with me and is taking care of me. God fills my life with good things, and I know I'll live forever with Him." Psalm 23