



INTO THE BIBLE

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33

If you love me, obey my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. ¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. ¹⁸ No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. ¹⁹ Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. ²⁰ When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

John 14:15-20

I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. ²⁶ But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you. “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.

John 14:25-27

My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. ² He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.

1 John 2:1-2

How I love you, Lord You are my defender. The Lord is my protector; he is my strong fortress. My God is my protection, and with him I am safe. He protects me like a shield; he defends me and keeps me safe. I call to the Lord, and he saves me from my enemies. Praise the Lord!

Psalms 18:1-3

SERMON TAKEAWAYS

The Advocate

3 Things the Advocate Will Do For You

1. Lead (John 14:15-17)
2. Teach (John 14:26)
3. Remind (John 14:26)

The enemy wants you to forget what God wants you to remember
and wants you to remember what God wants you to forget

The Assurance of Peace

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Share a time where someone became an advocate for you. How did that make you feel?
How did that shape you being an advocate for someone else?
2. Have you fully embraced the promise of the Holy Spirit? Do you have a daily relationship with Him?
3. Has the Holy Spirit ever convicted you of something you needed to change? Talk about that experience and how it has shaped your life.
4. Why does Jesus call the Holy Spirit “another Advocate”? What does it say about who the Holy Spirit is and what He does?
5. Would you consider your life peaceful? If not, what is keeping you from living in the assurance of peace that Jesus promises with the Holy Spirit?

PRAYER FOCUS

May we see the Holy Spirit as the Advocate for us. When we feel condemned and like we don't know what to do, we can come to Him to lead, teach, and remind us of every godly way.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THRIVE MARRIAGE CONFERENCE - September 17th & 18th

We hope that you are all planned to join us for a powerful weekend as you invest in your marriage. Whether you are married or one day hope to be married, you will gain so much insight in how to make your marriage Thrive, all while having a lot of fun too.