



## Behold The Lamb | Week 27 Study Guide

### Take Heart- He Has Overcome

**Bible Text:** John 16

### Open Up

What is something difficult you went through that you wish someone had prepared you for ahead of time?

### Dig In

#### **Read John 16:1-4**

Why did Jesus warn His disciples ahead of time that persecution was coming?

Jesus says some people would persecute His followers while thinking they were serving God. What does that teach us about the difference between being sincere and being right?

How could Jesus' warning help keep the disciples from "falling away" when persecution came?

#### **Read John 16:5-15**

Why does Jesus say it is actually better for the disciples that He goes away?

According to vs. 8–11, what does the Holy Spirit do in the lives of unbelievers? What does this teach us about our role and the Holy Spirit's role when we share Jesus with someone?

According to verses 13–15, what does the Holy Spirit do in the lives of believers? What do these verses teach us about the primary focus of the Holy Spirit's ministry?

#### **Read John 16:16-24**

What does Jesus mean when He says, "Your sorrow will turn into joy"? Why do you think Jesus uses childbirth to illustrate the relationship between sorrow and joy?

What do vs. 23–24 teach us about prayer? What does it mean to ask the Father "in Jesus' name"?

#### **Read John 16:25-33**

What do you learn about our relationship with the Father from vs. 26–28?

The disciples confidently say, "Now we know..." in v. 30. How does Jesus' response in vs. 31–32 challenge their confidence in themselves?

What two realities does Jesus put side-by-side in v. 33: "In the world..." and "In me..."? What does Jesus mean when He says, "I have overcome the world"?

### Close Out

Where in your life right now do you most need to rely on the Holy Spirit rather than your own strength?

Jesus promises peace even though He also promises trouble. What is one situation you need to face differently this week because Jesus has "overcome the world"?