

BI: People in our culture are	about who Jesus really is, therefore

1. We must show people Jesus by ______ each other (15:12-17)

John 15:12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. 17 These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

2. People will _____ us w/o reason because of Jesus (15:18-25)

¹⁸ "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. ²¹ But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. ²² If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. ²³ Whoever hates me hates my Father also. ²⁴ If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. ²⁵ But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'

3. \	We must testify	about Jesus, so that	can do His work	(15:26-27)
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²⁶ "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

4. This is a warning beforehand, so that you will not fall _____ (16:1-4a)

^{16:1} "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. ³ And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. ^{4a} But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you."

Application Questions:

- A. On a deep level, how are you doing, really?
- B. Spend 5 minutes and read through all the scripture listed in this handout (John 15:12-16:4a) and then contemplate question C.
- C. After reading the scripture, does any of if speak to how you are doing, really, on the deepest of levels? If so, how so? Pray for each other.