

The Gospel of John: Helping us love Him.

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Text: John 14:15-31 (page 901)

Jesus, you used the "Love" word. (John 14:15, 21, 23-24)

The Church of the Holy Comforter (John 14:16, 25)

The ruler of this world is coming? (John 14:18-20, 22, 27-31)

Memory Verse: John 14:23 Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."

Food for Thought for the week of November 18, 2018

(Questions and Scriptures for further study and discussion.)

1. When you hear Jesus talk about love and obedience, does that bring guilt or motivation in your heart?
2. Why do we prefer "like" over "love" when it comes to our response to Jesus? Discuss or reflect on the difference between them.
3. What are some of our misunderstandings when it comes to the help of the Holy Spirit?
4. What is the true intent of Jesus asking, the Father sending, and the Helper coming to live in our hearts? To put it simply, why do we need a Helper?
5. As Jesus promises to come back from the dead, the disciples wonder why He won't just show himself to everyone. Have you ever felt that way? Why do you think He has chosen to take up residence in hearts and do it "the hard way"?
6. Jesus frames the whole conversation with a reminder that the ruler of the world (that's Satan if you were wondering) was coming. How much attention should we give to this ruler? How does this relate to the spiritual warfare still going on every day?