**John 15:26-27**

**6/19/19**

**Intro – We Have Come To The End Of John 15. The Journey Through This Chapter Has Taken Us Some 2 ½ Months; And It Has Been Filled To Many Great, And Powerful Lessons.**

**In This Chapter, Christ Has Taught Us That…**

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The Secret Of The Fruitful Christian Life Is Abiding In The Vine (Christ)

Loving God And Keeping His Commandments Are Inseparable Christian Virtues

Loving God And Loving One Another Are Inseparable Christian Virtues

In The World, Persecution Of Christ And Persecution Of Christians Is The Norm, Not The Exception

**Last Week, We Ended With Jesus’ Somber Proclamation To His Disciples That They Are Going To Be Hated And Persecuted, Just As He Is Hated And Persecuted.**

**1. Tonight, However, Jesus Provides The Antidote - The Hope And Help For The 11, As Well As For You And Me. What Is The Help That He Promises? (*The Giving Of The Holy Spirit*)**

**2. This Is Not The First Time That Jesus Has Made This Promise To His Disciples. (*Readers To Read Scriptures – John 7:39; John 14:16-17, John 14:26*)**

**3. One Of Things That We Have To Overcome As Bible Readers Is The Fact That The Word And Its Doctrines Are So *Familiar* To Us, That We Often Forget How Earth Shaking These Revelations Were When Jesus Taught Them!**

**4. Up To The Coming Of Christ In The Flesh, What Had Been The Work And Ministry Of The Holy Spirit In The Personal Lives Of Human Beings?**

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Numbers 11:17

Judges 3:10

Judges 6:34

I Samuel 11:6

I Samuel 16:13

Psalm 51:11

**5. Of Course, We Know, That Jesus Is Promising His Disciples A New And Greater Work Of The Holy Spirit In Their Lives – And In Ours!**

**6. V. 26a – What Is The Name Given To The Holy Spirit At The Beginning Of Verse 26? (Kjv – “Comforter,” Esv – “Helper”)**

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“Comforter” (Kjv)

“Helper” (Esv)

“Advocate” (Niv)

**7. The Original Greek Word Is…**

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Par-Ak'-Lay-Tos

An Intercessor, Consoler: - Advocate, Comforter.

**8. Why Are The Various Elements Of This Definition So Important To Believers, As They Face The Hatred, Persecution, And Trials Of The World? (*Discuss Each*)**

**9. It Is Important To Note That Jesus Speaks Of The Coming Of The Holy Spirit As A Future Event. When Will This New, Indwelling Work Of The Holy Spirit, Take Place? (*Pentecost – Acts 2*)**

**10. V. 26b – In Verse 26, We See Another Name For The Holy Spirit. What Is It?**

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The Spirit Of Truth

**11. There Is No Greater Manifestation Of The Spirit Of God Working In Us, Than That, We Are The Bearers And Models Of *Truth* In The Earth!**

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John 8:44b (Nlt)

“He *(Satan)* Has Always Hated The Truth, Because There Is No Truth In Him. When He Lies, It Is Consistent With His Character; For He Is A Liar And The Father Of Lies.”

**12. The Great Work Of The Church Is The Struggle For Truth In A World Of Deception!**

**13. V. 26c - Before We Leave The End Of Verse 26, It Is Important To Give Note To The Pronoun, “He.” Of Whom, Does The Word “He,” Refer? (*Holy Spirit*)**

**14. Why Is A Personal Pronoun Used To Describe The Holy Spirit? (*Discuss*)**

**15. Additionally, What Does Jesus Assert To Be A Primary Work Of The Holy Spirit? (*Testify Of Him*)**

**16. Here Are Some Of The Truths, Of Which The Holy Spirit Testifies Of Christ:**

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His Incarnation

His Deity

His Messiahship

His Resurrection

Christ’ Gifts To His Children

Christ’ Transformation Of His Children

**17. V. 27 – What Is The Promise At The End Of Chapter 15 That Is Made To These *Timid*, *Anxious*, *Bewildered*, *Befuddled*, Disciples?**

**18. In The Moment That They Sit Listening To Jesus, They Have No Idea That They Would Soon Turn The World Upside Down! What Is That Will Make The Difference In Who They Are Now, And What They Will Soon Become? (*Someone Read Acts 1:6-8*)**

**19. This Assurance Of Transformation Is Promised To Us, As Well!**