

## John 14:16-26

**John 14:16-17** *“(16) And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; (17) Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”*

A. Jesus will go to the Father on behalf of His disciples (**Hebrews 7:25**).

1. Jesus will request the Holy Spirit to comfort the disciples (**John 15:26, Romans 8:15-16, and Romans 8:26-27**).

2. Jesus will have to leave this world for the Comforter to come (**John 16:7**).

3. We now have the Scriptures, fully revealed, for our comfort (**Romans 15:4**).

B. The Spirit of truth was to come after Jesus departed from this world (**John 7:37-39**).

1. The world could not receive the Spirit of truth (**I John 4:1-6**).

2. The Holy Spirit would not just dwell among the disciples, but would also guide them (**Matthew 10:16-20, Acts 2:1-4, II Corinthians 4:13, I Timothy 4:1, I John 2:20, and I John 2:27**).

3. So that no one gets confused about the terminology of the indwelling, let's be mindful that God figuratively dwells in us and we in Him (**I John 3:24, I John 4:12, and I John 4:15-16**).

**John 14:18-21** *“(18) I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. (19) Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. (20) At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. (21) He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.”*

A. After reminding them that He would not leave them comfortless, He promised to come to them through the Spirit (**John 16:8-16 and I Corinthians 2:9-16**).

1. A miraculous presence, through the Holy Spirit, was even possible for an Apostle (**Colossians 2:5**).

2. While we can know that we are in Christ because we have the fully revealed word of God (**John 5:39, John 20:30-31, II Timothy 3:15-17, and II Peter 1:3-4**; cf. **I John 5:20**), they needed confirmation through the Spirit (**Romans 8:15-16, Ephesians 1:13, Galatians 4:1-6, and I John 4:13**).

B. Manifestation of Christ, through the Spirit, required obedience (**Acts 2:37-41**).

1. Whether one considers the age of the miraculous or now, obedience is required for us to have a relationship with Christ (**Hebrews 3:14 and II John 9**).

2. We must not just initially obey His commands, but must keep obeying His instructions (**Matthew 7:21-27, Matthew 12:46-50, Luke 11:28, James 1:21-27, and Revelation 22:14**).

**John 14:22-26** *“(22) Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? (23) Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. (24) He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father’s which sent me. (25) These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. (26) But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”*

A. Judas, not Iscariot who betrayed Jesus (**Matthew 10:4, Mark 14:10, and Luke 6:16**); was confused, as he did not understand what Jesus said (cf. **John 16:17-18**).

1. What’s been missed is that Jesus will reveal Himself to His disciples because of their obedience (**Acts 5:29-32**).
2. The world could not receive the Spirit because the world was/is not in Christ (**Galatians 1:3-4, Colossians 1:12-13, James 4:4, and I John 2:15-17**).
3. *“Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world” (I John 4:4).*

B. Jesus reviewed some things He had just finished telling them...

1. The distinction between those who love Christ and those who do not comes down to who obeys Him and who disobeys Him (**John 14:15**).
2. Having God present in one’s life requires obedience (**I John 2:24**).
3. The Comforter would come and teach them all things (**Ephesians 1:17**).