

## *The Work of the Holy Spirit*

*John 16:4-16*

- Jesus is going away, but the Helper will come
- Holy Spirit would convict the World
  - Convict: To find or prove guilty; convince of error
  - Sin, Righteousness, and Judgment
- Conviction Concerning Sin
  - How does the Holy Spirit convict the world of sin?
  - God has to teach us what sin is
  - Without revelation, we don't know God's law
  - Verse 9: "Because they do not believe Me."
  - This is the "verdict" (John 3:19-20)

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- Conviction Concerning Righteousness
  - How did Jesus going to the Father demonstrate His righteousness?
    - The world killed Jesus based on its righteousness
  - The world's righteousness is totally insufficient
    - Romans 1:16-17 Righteousness of God revealed
    - Romans 3:9 – None are righteous
    - John 6:63 – “It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing”
    - Spirit shows us our righteousness does not compare to God's – our works condemn us

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- Conviction Concerning Judgment
  - The world is wrong about the basis of judgment
    - The Jews judged Jesus wrongly
    - The world's judgments are morally perverse
  - How does the Spirit convict the world concerning judgment?
    - According to Jesus, by what standard are we judged? (12:48)
    - How do we understand the standard?
  - How does Satan being judged impact this?
    - Cf. Hebrews 2:14-15

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- How is the Spirit going to convict the world?
  - Guide the apostles into ALL the truth
  - Disclose to them what is to come
  - Disclose to them what is Jesus' (and thus, the Father's)
  - Glorify Jesus
- What were the apostles supposed to do?
  - Matthew 28:18-20
  - I Cor. 2:11-13

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## *Your Joy Made Full*

*John 16:16-27*

- You will see Me again
  - And will speak plainly (they will be ready to understand)
- Sorrow to joy
  - You will weep, but the world will rejoice
  - Pain is necessary now for joy later
- Relationship with the Father
  - If you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you.
  - Jesus isn't going to ask the Father on their behalf
  - The Father loves you

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## *Do You Now Believe?*

*John 16:28-33*

- “I have come forth from the Father and have come into the world; I am leaving the world again and going to the Father.”
- Disciples thought they believed but still were lacking
- Jesus would not be alone in His suffering
- We are not alone in ours

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