

John 16

1. Of what did Jesus forewarn the apostles?
 - a. For what reason did He warn them?
 - b. *Thought Question:* What does Jesus' reference to "synagogues" imply about the primary source of the Christians' persecution?
2. Why was it advantageous to the apostles for Jesus to "go away?"
3. Who was the "Helper" (or "Comforter")?
4. List the functions of the Holy Spirit: (as many as you can think of from verses 8-13):
5. What persons of God are represented in verses 14 & 15?
6. Like Matthew 9:4 and other passages, verses 17-19 of John 16 demonstrate Jesus' ability to know the thoughts of others. What did the disciples later conclude about Jesus upon their realizing that He possessed this power? (see v. 30 for help)
7. When was the "little while" when the disciples would not see Jesus?
8. When would they see him again?

9. What illustration did Jesus use to contrast the sorrow versus the joy?

a. This was “figurative” language - What is “figurative” language?

b. When Jesus made this same point in “plain” language (v. 28), how did the disciples respond?

10. How did Jesus correct the disciples when they claimed to “believe?” (32)

11. Using a present tense verb in verse 32, Jesus said, “The Father is with me.” How does this answer the Calvinists’ explanation of Matthew 27:46 that says that the Father actually separated from Christ while He was on the cross?

a. *Thought Question:* What did Jesus *really mean* in Matthew 27:46 when He quoted the first line (title) of Psalm 22?

b. What does Psalm 22:24 actually say about the Father’s disposition towards Christ while He was on the cross?

12. To what type of “peace” was Jesus referring in John 16:33?