

SEVEN DAYS
The Promise Of Help And Comfort
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For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 1 Corinthians 1:18 NIV

"If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. Remember what I told you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also.

They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the one who sent me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. Whoever hates me hates my Father as well. If I had not done among them the works no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin.

As it is, they have seen, and yet they have hated both me and my Father. But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.' John 15:18-25 NIV

...the prince of this world now stands condemned. John 16:11b NIV

"All this I have told you so that you will not fall away." John 16:1 NIV

"I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them." John 16:4a NIV

"Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." Luke 9:23 NIV

"They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will think they are offering a service to God. They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me." John 16:2-3 NIV

Key Verse of the Day

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33 NIV

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I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things.

But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you." John 16:1-15 NIV

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Key Thought of the Day

While followers of Jesus will always face hate and persecution from the world; we can take heart, because Jesus has _____ the world.

Grab This!

Jesus is the Overcomer of _____!

Don't Miss This!

The Overcomer offers the promise of _____ because even though Christians live in a difficult world He will provide _____.

The Two Witnesses

- The Witness of the _____.

When the Advocate comes —he will testify about me. John 15:26 NIV

- The Witness of _____ in Jesus.

And you also must testify... John 15:27 NIV

The Witness of the Holy Spirit

1. The Holy Spirit will bring _____ upon the world.

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment... John 16:8 NIV

Three Ways The Holy Spirit Brings Conviction

- Conviction over _____.

...about sin, because people do not believe in me... John 16:9 NIV

Three Ways The Holy Spirit Brings Conviction

- Conviction to experience true _____.

...about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer... John 16:10 NIV

Three Ways The Holy Spirit Brings Conviction

- Conviction concerning _____.

...and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. John 16:11 NIV

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33 NIV

And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever. Revelation 20:10 NIV

The dead were judged according to what they had done... Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire. Revelation 20:12b & 15 NIV

The Challenge

1. Be a _____ testifying influence for what Jesus has done in your life.
2. Has the Holy Spirit _____ you today?