

# THE GOSPEL *of* JOHN

## CHAPTER 16:1-15

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**“We Need the Holy Spirit” – Part 1**

THE THEME OF THE BOOK:

**John 1:12**

**But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:**

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**INTRODUCTION**

***to the text***

***John 16:1-15***

### **The Summation Sentence**

The Holy Spirit in the life of the Christian is the keeping power of God at work. What guarantees heaven for us? – it is the keeping power of God in our lives!

**Remembering That, He is The Holy Spirit!**

But do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,  
by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

**Ephesians 4:30**

# We Need the Holy Spirit

## 1.) *Because We Need God's Help*

vv. 1

"These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to **stumble**."

## These things

Verses 1, 3, 4, 4, 6.

The Things Taught From Chapters 13 to 16 but not excluding Chapter 17

## Teaching Us That We Need God's Help

Greek stumble 4624 skandalizo (skan-dal-id'-zo) ("scandalize");  
to become entrapped, tripped up, made to fall down.  
Made bold rather than weak

## HIS DIVINE PURPOSE AT WORK

### *Personal Application*

#### *a.) His Nearness*

2 Peter 1:10

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

**when is a child as strong as his father?  
When that child is under his father  
absolute care!**

Jude 1:24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, 25 To God our Savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.

James 4:8

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.

the child being lifted by his father

### ***Because We Need God's Help***

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

## ***Personal Application***

### ***b.) His Power***

## **Our Weaknesses Become Our Strengths!**

2 Corinthians 12:8-10

Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

## **Jesus is Teaching**

That what looks like an apparent weakness will actually result in strength for you

**He will become stronger in those areas where I am weaker**

***Because We Need God's Help***  
***Personal Application***

**c.) *His Words***

Psalm 119:11

Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You!

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,  
**Colossians 2:6**

***Because We Need God's Help***

**We Need the Holy Spirit**

**2.) *Because The World is Against Us***

**vv. 2**

**"They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.**

This is very painful because...

Now that you know God, your religious friends will argue with you  
your religious family members will fight with you

Matthew 10:34-36

"Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. 35 "For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; 36 "and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.'

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### 3.) *Because We Will Be Misunderstood*

vv. 3

"And these things they will do to you  
because they have not known the Father nor Me.

When you were born again,  
We were born into a new life, with a new world view of  
thinking

John 17:13-16

"But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. 14 "I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. 15 "I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. 16 "They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

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### 4.) *Because We So Easily Forget*

vv. 4 -

4 "But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them. And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

### 5.) *Because We Don't Always Understand*

vv. 5-6

"But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' 6 "But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart.

1 John 5:20

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.

## **“depression has over-shadowed reality” -**

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w e a l l h a v e t h e m

### **We Need the Holy Spirit**

#### **6.) *Because The Work is *Bigger* Than Us vv. 7-11***

"Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 "of sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 "of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; 11 "of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

#### **Verse 7**

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#### **Verse 8-11**

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*because they do not believe in Me;*"**

sin, singular. The sin of not believing

**10 - "of righteousness,  
*because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;*"**

the ascension of Jesus and the absence Jesus is  
convicting to the world

**11 - "of judgment,  
*because the ruler of this world is judged.*"**

the internal sense that satan, this world, the flesh  
is doomed

John 12:31

"Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world  
will be cast out.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds  
the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the  
glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

**Satan is a defeated foe – a loser**

**12**

**"I still have many things to say to you**