The Holy Spirit Will Teach You All Things

John 14:15-31

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The Historical and Biblical Context

In the Gospel of John 14 - Jesus gave us a new and better covenant and He also gave us a new and better commandment-that can only be carried out in spirit and truth. We can only fulfil His commandment of love in the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit as we live our life in total dependence upon Him - trusting His word and following the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Our lesson today focuses on Jesus talking with His disciples and preparing them for His return to the Father and their receipt of the Holy Spirit.

In this powerful passage, Jesus talks with the disciples about Love and obedience. During this time Jesus also promises that the Father will send them an Advocate – The Holy Spirit. Jesus emphasizes the **unity** of The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit with the believer.

The Word of GOD:

- ¹⁵ "If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[a] in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."
- ²²Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?"
- ²³ Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.
- ²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
- ²⁸ "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. ³⁰ I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has

no hold over me, ³¹ but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me.

Lesson 1: The Plan

In John 14:6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

The Way:

¹⁵ "If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

In these verses Jesus explains how Love, Loyalty and commitment all work together in this relationship. Love is at the center of our relationship with GOD and Jesus. Love is mentioned seven times in this massage. True Love is required and is demonstrated by our obedience. How are we required to Love Go? Matthew 22:37

In the Old Testament – the Holy Spirit came upon Believers in Christ, temporarily, to accomplish task. In the New Testament – the Holy Spirit will dwell in Believers in Christ forever.

The Truth:

¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[a] in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

John 4:24 says, God is Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. The Holy Spirit makes this possible.

The Life:

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The promise of eternal life with God is for those who believe and obey.

Lesson 2: The Issue and The Answer = The Mission

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Now that we Love and Obey God and know the Truth, it is up to us to share the Good News with the rest of the world.

Lesson 3: The Promise(s):

²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you.

- The Father will give you an Advocate / Helper
- The Helper will be with you Forever
- The Spirit will be in you
- Jesus said, I will not leave you
- · Jesus said, because I live you will live
- Jesus gives us His Peace
- Jesus said, I'm coming back to you,

The Key Verse

²⁶ But the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

The Holy Spirit appears in the Old Testament 70 times and in the New Testament 250 times.

The Holy Spirit is also called:

- Advocate:
- Counselor:
- Teacher:
- Truth:
- Helper:
- Guide:
- Peace:
- Knowledge/Understanding / Wisdom: Isaiah 11:2

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How many times does this phrase appear in the Bible?

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The Conclusion:

For God so Loved the world that He gave His Son and everything we would ever need to Love Him, to Serve Him, to Evangelize the World and to be with Him Forever.