



“God With Us Now”

December 13, 2020

John 14:15-26

Part 2 of “God With Us”

1. Review, Matt. 1:23

- a. Jesus was born to save all those who accept him as Savior and he is fully qualified to do so.

2. Helper. (14:15-17)

- a. 1 John 5:2-3
- b. Jesus knew very well that the requirement of love and _____ his commands would necessitate a resource of _____ proportions...
- c. *Parakletos*:

3. Adopter. (14:18-21)

- a. I will not leave you as _____, I will _____ to you...

- b. "The _____ was the event that would separate Jesus from both the disciples and the world in general. The _____, however, was the event that divided the disciples from the world; for while the world continued in their blindness, the disciples were able at that point to see him..."

4. Teacher. (14:22-26)

- a. But the _____, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will _____ you all things and bring to your _____ all that I have said to you.

ACTIVITY & DISCUSSION FOR FAMILIES

List out the different roles of the Holy Spirit - 'comforter', 'teacher', 'advocate', 'counsellor', 'helper', 'guide', 'rememberer' - look up definitions for each of those roles and consider for each person in your family, "where have you seen the Holy Spirit recently in your own life?"

Be as specific as you can with the examples.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Dig Deeper: Grab a good study Bible that has notes, a concordance, or a cross-reference system and study ideas, words, and themes from this passage deeper.

Read John 14.

V. 15. We know obedience doesn't "earn" God's love or salvation, so what is the relationship between love and obedience? (*Hint: 1 John 5:1-3*)

Read Romans 3:9-18. Why is a helper (John 14:16) necessary?

V. 18. In your own words: what does Jesus mean, "I will come to you" even as he prepares them for his departure?

V. 18-21. How does Jesus redefine life (“because I live”), sight (“the world will see me no more, but you will see me”) and presence (“I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you”)?

V. 22-24. Judas asks a fair question. What do you make of Jesus’ answer?

Big picture: How are believers different from the world?

V. 26. When has God “brought to remembrance” something from scripture you didn’t know you knew? Or when has he given you words when you needed them? (Help: Luke 12:11-12)

Why is it significant about the multiple translations of this word, “helper” (paraklētos)? Which is the most meaningful to you right now?

Heavenly Father, thank you for your Spirit. Thank you for sending us a ‘comforter’, ‘teacher’, ‘advocate’, ‘counsellor’, ‘helper’ and ‘guide.’ Forgive us for seasons when we take it for granted or do not listen to his teaching and guidance. Lord, give us awareness of the Spirit’s work in my life and help me to seek you more in my day-to-day decision making. Amen.