Scriptures:	John 14:15-26; 15:26-27; 16:1-16
Singing:	428:1, 2, 9 – 238:1-3 – 351:1-2 – 204:1-4

Intro. A departure of a Loved One that would not be a loss! (John 16:7)

THE BLESSINGS IN THE HOLY SPIRIT'S COMING

I. He is the Teacher II. He is the Comforter III. He is the Homemaker

I. The blessing in the Holy Spirit's Coming: He is the Teacher (16:13-15)

A. Jesus called the Holy Spirit *another* Comforter (John 14:16-17)
1. Definition of *another* reveals a glorious truth: *He did not replace Jesus!*a. compare Romans 8:9, 11; Phil. 1:19)

- B. The Holy Spirit is a *teacher like Jesus*
 - 1. He continued teaching where Jesus stopped (John 16:12-13)
 - 2. He continued teaching like Jesus: (John 14:26; Acts 10:28)
 - 3. He continued teaching us more about Jesus: (John 16:14-15; 1 Cor. 2:9-11)
 - 4. He continued teaching about the Father (John 15:26; Rom. 8:14-16)
- C. How important not to grieve HS you received when you believed (Eph. 1:13)

II. The coming of Holy Spirit: He is the Comforter (14:16; 16:4)

- A. Definition of Comforter is richly comforting to troubled disciples
 - 1. The Comforter is He Who draws alongside (16:1-2; 8-11)
 - a. He will do the reproving, convicting and silencing!
 - b. He is the best Witness in any court
 - c. He is Divine
- B. What a comfort to have two Advocates: in heaven and on earth!

III. The Coming of the Holy Spirit as the Home-Maker (John 14:17, 23)

- A. What is a 'homemaker?'
 - 1. It is what Jesus does in heaven: John 14:2-3
 - 2. It is what the Holy Spirit does in the heart (vs 23)
- B. Spirit's work in this Homemaking is His ongoing work of sanctification 1. What is sanctification? (Eph. 2:21-22)
 - 2. How important not to counter the work of this Divine Homemaker! a. Jesus emphasize the *laws of the intimacy*: 14:21; 23; 15:10
 - b. what will we miss when we disregard the laws of intimacy?

Closing Reflection: Do we agree that Jesus' departure was beneficial?