

Sermon: Discipleship Coaching or Christians & the World  
Scripture: John 15:12-16:4

## Introduction

- I. Team relations and responsibilities, or how Christ's disciples are to relate to each other and serve Him (v. 12-17; Matthew 10:37-39).
- II. Understanding and anticipating the opposition, or how Christ's disciples are going to relate to the world (15:18-16:4)
  - A. "World" – our opposition defined
  - B. Why the world is the Christian's opposition (John 7:7)
  - C. Ways the world will show opposition (II Timothy 3:12)
  - D. The world is without excuse.
  - E. Many of the opposition, in the world, will become disciples of Christ.
- III. Informed for battle, or the benefits of this knowledge Christ gives (16:1-4)
  - A. Explained
  - B. Let us be those who are supposed to be with each other and for Christ.
  - C. Let us be those we are supposed to be toward the world.
  - D. Let us profit from whatever persecution arises and persevere (Romans 5:3-5; James 1:2-4).