

## ***How the Spirit Helps You*** **John 16:5-15**

### Main Point:

Depend on the Spirit's help as you glorify Jesus by bearing witness for Him.

1. It is to your advantage that Jesus has departed.
2. Because now you have the Holy Spirit to help you.
3. The Holy Spirit helps you by convicting the world.
4. The Holy Spirit helps you by guiding into all truth.
5. Depend on the Spirit's help as you glorify Jesus by bearing witness for Him.

**Richard Phillips** "One of the blessings of being a Christian is knowing that God is at work in our lives in such a way that even our losses end up as gains."

**J.C. Ryle** "His departure, however painful it might seem, was not an evil, but a good ... His bodily absence would be more useful than his presence."

**Acts 2:33** 33 Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. (NKJV)

**Charles Ross** "How is the Spirit's coming of more importance than the Savior's visible presence? The Holy Spirit is the great applier of Christ and of his benefits to the souls of men."

**John 15:27** 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning. (NKJV)

**D.A. Carson** "Jesus has already assured his disciples that the Counselor will participate in that witness; and here he explains ... what the Counselor will do."

**Acts 2:37** 37 Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" (NKJV)

**Romans 1:4** 4 [Jesus was] declared *to be* the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead. (NKJV)

**John 12:31** 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. (NKJV)

**Sinclair Ferguson** "The one who engineered Christ's condemnation is now himself judged and condemned. The same fate must therefore await those who had sided with him against the Savior!"

**D.A. Carson** "The aim of the Spirit's work is not to produce a guilty verdict - that already stands (3:18, 36) - but to bring the defendant to see the perilous condition in which he stands."

**Galatians 5:16** 16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. (NKJV)

**Richard Phillips** "We follow along with the Spirit's guidance as we study, believe, and obey his revealed Word in the Holy Scriptures."

**Charles Ross** "Not that the Holy Spirit adds anything to the personal and mediatorial glories which now encircle him as seated on the throne ... But the Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus in the view and experience of men."

**1 Corinthians 2:4** 4 And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, (NKJV)