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# [**John 16:1-33**](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2016.1-33)**– The Holy Spirit, The Helper**

      [**1**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-1.htm)“These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from **stumbling**. [**2**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-2.htm)“They will make you **outcasts** **from the synagogue**, but an hour is coming for everyone who kills you to think that he is offering service to God. [**3**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-3.htm)“These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me. [**4**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-4.htm)“But these things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes, you may remember that I told you of them. These things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

      [**5**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-5.htm)“But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ [**6**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-6.htm)“But because I have said these things to you, **sorrow** has filled your heart. [**7**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-7.htm)“But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the **Helper** will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. [**8**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-8.htm)“And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; [**9**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-9.htm)concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; [**10**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-10.htm)and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; [**11**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-11.htm)and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

      [**12**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-12.htm)“I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. [**13**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-13.htm)“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will **disclose** to you what is to come. [**14**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-14.htm)“He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will **disclose** *it* to you. [**15**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-15.htm)“All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will **disclose** *it* to you.

      [**16**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-16.htm)“A **little while**, and you will no longer see Me; and again a **little while**, and you will see Me.” [**17**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-17.htm)*Some* of His disciples then said to one another, “What is this thing He is telling us, ‘A **little while**, and you will not see Me; and again a **little while**, and you will see Me’; and, ‘because I go to the Father’?” [**18**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-18.htm)So they were saying, “What is this that He says, ‘A **little while**’? We do not know what He is talking about.” [**19**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-19.htm)Jesus knew that they wished to question Him, and He said to them, “Are you deliberating together about this, that I said, ‘A **little while**, and you will not see Me, and again a **little while**, and you will see Me’? [**20**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-20.htm)“Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will **grieve [sorrow]**, but your **grief [sorrow]** will be turned into joy. [**21**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-21.htm)“Whenever a woman is in labor she has **pain** **[sorrow]**, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy that a child has been born into the world. [**22**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-22.htm)“Therefore you too have **grief [sorrow]** now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one *will* take your joy away from you.

      [**23**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-23.htm)“In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you. [**24**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-24.htm)“Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

      [**25**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-25.htm)“These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; an hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but will tell you plainly of the Father. [**26**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-26.htm)“In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will request of the Father on your behalf; [**27**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-27.htm)for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came forth from the Father. [**28**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-28.htm)“I came forth from the Father and have come into the world; I am leaving the world again and going to the Father.”

      [**29**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-29.htm)His disciples said, “Lo, now You are speaking plainly and are not using a figure of speech. [**30**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-30.htm)“Now we know that You know all things, and have no need for anyone to question You; by this we believe that You came from God.” [**31**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-31.htm)Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? [**32**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-32.htm)“Behold, an hour is coming, and has *already* come, for you to be scattered, each to his own *home,* and to leave Me alone; and *yet* I am not alone, because the Father is with Me. [**33**](http://biblehub.com/john/16-33.htm)“These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”

**Interesting Words**

##### ****stumbling****

(σκανδαλίζω - Greek) - skandalizó [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/4624.htm) put a snare (in the way), to cause to stumble, to give offense, cause to sin, cause to become indignant, shock, offend – [Matt 5:29](https://ref.ly/Matt%205.29;nasb95?t=biblia); [Mark 14:29](https://ref.ly/Mark%2014.29;nasb95?t=biblia); [Luke 17:2](https://ref.ly/Luke%2017.2;nasb95?t=biblia); [1Cor 8:13](https://ref.ly/1%20Cor%208.13;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### ****outcasts from the skynagogue****

(ἀποσυνάγωγος – Greek) – aposunagógos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/656.htm) expelled from the congregation, expelled from the synagogue, excommunicated – [John 9:22](https://ref.ly/John%209.22;nasb95?t=biblia), [12:42](https://ref.ly/John%2012.42;nasb95?t=biblia),

##### ****sorrow****

(λυπέω – Greek) – lupeó [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/3076.htm) verb, to distress, to grieve, pain, vex –

(λύπη – Greek) – lupé [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/3077.htm) noun, pain of body or mind, grief, sorrow, affliction – [Rom 9:2-3](https://ref.ly/Rom%209.2-3;nasb95?t=biblia); [2Cor 7:10](https://ref.ly/2%20Cor%207.10;nasb95?t=biblia); [1Peter 2:19](https://ref.ly/1%20Pet%202.19;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### ****Helper****

(παράκλητος – Greek) – paraklétos [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/3875.htm) advocate, intercessor, consoler, comforter, helper, (from *pará*, “*from* close-beside” and *kaléō*, “make a call”) – properly, a *legal advocate* who makes the right judgment-*call* because *close* enough to the situation – [John 15:26](https://ref.ly/John%2015.26;nasb95?t=biblia), [1John 2:1](https://ref.ly/1%20John%202.1;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### ****disclose****

(ἀναγγέλλω – Greek) – anaggelló [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/312.htm) bring back word, report; I announce, declare, (from *aná*, “*up*, completing a *process*” and*aggellō*, “declare”) – properly, *tell* all the way*up*, i.e. *clearly* – declaring a thought (communication) that shows it has cleared (gone through) *its necessary stages* – [John 4:25](https://ref.ly/John%204.25;nasb95?t=biblia); [1Peter 1:12](https://ref.ly/1%20Pet%201.12;nasb95?t=biblia), [1John 1:5](https://ref.ly/1%20John%201.5;nasb95?t=biblia);

##### ****little while****

(μικρός – Greek) – mikros [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/3398.htm) small, little, small (in size, quantity, number or (figuratively) dignity)

**Cross References**

▪︎ Spirit of truth – [John 14:17](https://ref.ly/John%2014.17;nasb95?t=biblia), [15:26](https://ref.ly/John%2015.26;nasb95?t=biblia);
▪︎ Jesus is truth – [John 14:6](https://ref.ly/John%2014.6;nasb95?t=biblia), [16:7](https://ref.ly/John%2016.7;nasb95?t=biblia);

**Discussion Questions**

Download questions to Word document (click here). Enter your answers, then meet with some friends to discuss. You can also compare your answers to mine for a virtual discussion… to return… back.

###### 1. Two types of “error” are described in [John 16:1-2](https://ref.ly/John%2016.1-2;nasb95?t=biblia). What are they and how can they be prevented?

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###### 2. Why do errors like those in question 1 occur?

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###### 3. What are some new, additional benefits given by the Holy Spirit as shown in this chapter?

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###### 4. How does the Holy Spirit accomplish all the tasks listed?

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###### 5. How do you think the disciples felt about Jesus being gone for a “little while”?

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###### 6.How would you describe the new era, after a little while? What will it be like?

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###### 7.What is the conclusion that Jesus comes to in [John 16:32](https://ref.ly/John%2016.32;nasb95?t=biblia), [33](https://ref.ly/John%2016.33;nasb95?t=biblia)?

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