

SERMON NOTES

*Reason to Believe: Take Heart
John 16:5-33; Psalm 27:14*

Jesus knew what was coming! He was fully aware of every painful, fearful moment the disciples would face. There was not one thing they would experience that would take Jesus by surprise. He told the disciples their grief would become joy and peace because of the presence of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Key thought: When you are overwhelmed, the indwelling Holy Spirit will lead you into the joy and peace of God.

You will face seasons when you are overwhelmed! (vs. 16:6,20)

- Uncertainty
- Unknown
- Unfamiliar

God is at work when you are overwhelmed to draw you close to Himself! (vs. 16:7-16)

Jesus makes it clear that if they did not go through this “season of grief” the Holy Spirit would not come. Christ beside them, would become the Spirit within them. The Holy Spirit would...

- Comfort “*parakalete*”
- Convict (vs. 16:8-11)
- Guide (v. 16:12)

God will not leave you overwhelmed, He leads you into His joy! (vs. 16:17-28)

“Grief turns to joy.” (v. 20)

- Joy in His person. (v. 16:22)
- Joy that is permanent. (v. 16:22)
- Joy that leads to prayer. (vs. 16:23-24)

God leads you from being overwhelmed to being an overcomer, filling you with His peace! (vs. 16:29-33)

- Get ready, trouble will come!
- Take heart, Jesus has overcome!