

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further
International Bible Lessons

John 14:15-31

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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. What are some of the things you can do if you love Jesus?

Obey Jesus.

Believe what Jesus taught.

Try to follow His example.

Tell others about Jesus and why they should trust Him too.

Love the Father and His Word, the Bible.

Love the Holy Spirit and not grieve the Holy Spirit.

Meet and worship with other Christians.

Support your church and world missions.

Other ideas?

2. Who is the Advocate and what will He do?

The Holy Spirit – the Spirit of Truth.

He will be with Jesus' followers forever.

He will be within Jesus' followers and never leave them.

He will teach believers what they need to know.

He will help believers understand and apply the Word of God, the Bible.

He will remind believers of what Jesus taught and what Jesus meant then and today.

Other ideas?

3. Why does the world not receive the Advocate?

The world cannot receive the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth, because the world does not see Him or know Him. The Advocate abides with Jesus' disciples, because Jesus is filled with the Spirit of Truth, but the world does not see or know the Spirit of Truth in Jesus. The world does not want to obey the Scriptures or God, but the world rebels against God, His rule, and His commands.

4. Why do some people neglect or refuse to keep Jesus' words?

Because they do not love Jesus, they do not heed what Jesus said or obey Him.

5. What is the result of loving Jesus and keeping His word?

The Father and the Son will love us and make their home with us. The Holy Spirit will be with us and in us forever.

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