



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 16:12-22 Scripture Handout News Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 16:12) “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

(John 16:13) When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

(John 16:14) He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

(John 16:15) All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

(John 16:16) “A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me.”

(John 16:17) Then some of his disciples said to one another, “What does he mean by saying to us, ‘A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and ‘Because I am going to the Father’?”

(John 16:18) They said, “What does he mean by this ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.”

(John 16:19) Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Are you discussing among yourselves what I meant when I said, ‘A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’?”

(John 16:20) Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy.

(John 16:21) When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world.

(John 16:22) So you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?