



International Bible Lesson

International Bible Study Commentary
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Truths That Defeat Our Troubles John 14:24-31

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you (John 14:26—KJV).

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you (John 14:26—NASB).

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you (John 14:26—NRSV).

No follower of Jesus Christ goes through life abandoned or alone. Jesus still gives His faithful followers the gifts and promises He gave His first disciples. As followers of Jesus Christ encounter an unknown future, they have Jesus' assurance that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit dwell within them, work within them, and go with them. They have the assurance that the Spirit of Holiness and Truth will help them stand firm and keep loving Jesus, obeying Jesus, and trusting Jesus no matter what they encounter. They know that as they continue doing what they have learned from Jesus that the Holy Spirit will teach them how to act in every situation. As they read and study the Bible day-by-day, they know that the Holy Spirit will remind them of all the truths they need to remain strong and do right—even if they suffer afflictions or persecutions. In the world, Jesus' followers have always encountered enemies and the one Jesus called "the ruler of this world," but through His death and resurrection Jesus promised and proved that the ruler of this world has no power over Him (John 14:30). The enemies of Jesus have no

ultimate power over Jesus' followers. Through his faithful obedience, John learned that, "the One who is in you (believers) is greater than the one who is in the world" (1 John 4:4). Because Jesus has given believers His peace and many precious promises, we can trust Him when He said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not let them be afraid" (John 14:27).

Thinking Further

1. What does a person demonstrate when they do not obey or try to obey Jesus' words or when they change His teachings about how to live?
2. What did Jesus say the Holy Spirit would do for those who love Him and keep His words.
3. What are some of the ways the peace of Jesus helps those who believe in Him?
4. Why can believers in Jesus rejoice when a fellow follower of Jesus dies?
5. How does Jesus' teachings about the ruler of this world encourage you?