



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: John 15:26-John 16:4 (NAS)

“The Reason for the Helper’s Coming”

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John 15:26-27

26 "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me,

27 and you will testify also, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

John 16:1-4

1 "These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from stumbling.

2 "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 "These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me.

4 "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.

I. THE HELPER

A. Sent By

B. The Task He Came To Accomplish

II. THE WITNESS AND WITNESSES

A. Defined – One Who Testifies (Greek Word Martyr)

B. Hated By The World *John 15:19, 20b*

C. Ordinary Men

D. The Holy Spirit Will Testify With Us

III. THE HOLY SPIRIT

A. Sent By The Father And The Son

B. The Helper – Comforter – Advocate

1. He bears witness to the disciple’s testimony

2. He is the Spirit of Truth

3. His purpose is to testify about Jesus

a. objective witness through Scripture *II Peter 1:23*

b. subjective witness as He works in the hearts of men

C. The Holy Spirit Stands Alongside Our Witness

APPLICATION:

1. The True Christian Witness Is About Christ *I John 1:1-3; John 20:30-31*

2. The Mercy Of Christ Should Empower Us

3. Heed Christ’s Warning That His Disciples Not Be Caught Off Guard