

BIBLE STUDY: LESSON 29

Scripture of Lesson: John 16: 1~33

1. Lord's warning of tribulations to come and promise of comfort

- a. Instead of concern for Himself, Christ's focus was strengthening of His disciples
 - i. Warning of things to come –Have we had such experiences of warnings in our life?
- b. He did not decimate the severity of tribulations that the disciples would face.
 - i. V. 2 *"They shall put you out of the synagogues—whosoever kills you will think he does God service."*
- c. Promise of Holy Spirit
 - i. He will convict the world about their sin, righteousness and judgment to come.
 - 1. About sin: Holy Spirit goes beyond our conscience and law to convict people of their sins.
 - a. John 8:9 *"And they who heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the eldest even unto the last, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing in the midst."*
 - b. James 2:9 *"But if ye have respect of persons, ye commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors."*
 - c. John 16:8-9 *"He will reprove of the world of sin, because they believe not me."*
- d. Joy after sorrow
 - i. Christ compared the joy the disciples will have after His resurrection to the joy a woman has after a child birth [v. 21]
 - ii. Promise of answers to their requests [v. 23-24]

2. "I have overcome the world"

- a. Christians' greatest example to pattern after: v. 33 *"In the world ye shall have tribulations; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."*
 - i. Image of the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, who triumphed. Rev 5: 6, 9, 12, 13
- b. Encouragements to the churches to be victors: Rev 2: 17, 25~26; 3: 5, 12, 21; 21:7
- c. We have much encouragement from Heaven and the Lamb of God who triumphed in addition to daily help from the Holy Spirit. We lack no resources to be victorious.
- d. Let us share your experiences of victory over sin, temptation, unwholesome habits, etc.