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Another Helper

John 14:15-17

I. You Have a Great Responsibility (v. 15)

A. What is _____?
(Jn. 14:21, 23; 1 Jn. 5:3; 2 Jn. 6; Rom. 5:8; Jn. 3:16)

B. Who is _____?
(Jn. 1:1, 3, 4, 5, 14, 18, 33, 41, 46; 2:1-11; 4:46-54; 5:1-15; 6:5-14, 16-24; 9:1-7; 11:1-45)

C. What are _____ commandments?
(Heb. 8:6, 13; Jn. 13:34; Mk. 12:30-31; Gal. 6:2)

II. You Have a Great Helper (vv. 16-17)

A. The Holy Spirit is _____ by the Son (v. 16a)
[1 Cor. 2:10-13; Psa. 139:7-10; Isa. 40:13-14; Rom. 15:13; Gen. 1:2; Matt. 1:18; 2 Pet. 1:20-21; Jn. 3:5-7]

B. The Holy Spirit is _____ by the Father (v. 16b)
[Jn. 15:26; 1 Cor. 12:11-13; 1 Jn. 2:1-2; Psa. 54:4; Psa. 121:1-2; Isa. 50:7]

C. The Holy Spirit _____ in you (v. 17)
[1 Cor. 2:12-14; Ezek. 36:26-27; Psa. 51:11]

TAKE HOME

- How does the fact that love is both a feeling and a function ***play out*** in your life?
- How do you ***balance*** the fact that you have a great responsibility to keep Christ's commandments with the fact that you have a great Helper to assist you?
- How does it encourage you to think about the Helper being with you forever and that He ***dwells*** inside of you?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 14:15. What is love? What is the meaning of agape? How was love practically defined in this sermon? Do you need to lean more toward feeling or function? (Jn. 14:21, 23; 1 Jn. 5:3; 2 Jn. 6; Rom. 5:8; Jn. 3:16)

2. Do you agree that many people have a wrong view of Jesus? Why do you think this is? What can you do to help them?

3. What are Jesus’ commandments? How are they different than some of the commandments of the Old Testament? How do we know which ones to keep and which ones to throw out? Why is this so important? (Heb. 8:6, 13; Jn. 13:34-35)

4. Read John 14:16a. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus is making a request on your behalf? Why must Jesus go? Why must the Holy Spirit come? What is the role of the Holy Spirit? (1 Cor. 2:10-13; Psa. 139:7-10; Isa. 40:13-14; Rom. 15:13; Gen. 1:2; Matt. 1:18; 2 Pet. 1:20-21; Jn. 3:5-7)

5. Read John 14:6b. In what way is the Holy Spirit another Helper? How many Helpers do we have? (1 John 2:1; Psa. 54:4; Psa. 121:1-2; Isa. 50:7)

6. Read John 14:17. Why does the Holy Spirit abide in you? Why doesn’t the Holy Spirit abide in unbelievers? How does 1 Corinthians 2:12-14 and Ezekiel 36:26-27 help us better understand the role of the Holy Spirit?

7. Read the take home questions. Which one challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will you love and live differently in light of what you have learned today?

“The reference here is, of course, to the Holy Spirit, and the fact that He is termed ‘another Comforter’ signifies that He was to fill the place of Christ, doing for His disciples all that He had done for them while He was with them on earth, only that the Holy Spirit would minister from within as Christ had from without.”

- A.W. Pink, *Exposition of the Gospel of John*