



The Gospel of John

August 31: John 16:16-33

I Have Overcome the World

A Bible Study at St. John Lutheran Church

What is wrong with self-esteem?

“God tells me that I am the problem, and His Son is the solution.” – Don Matzat

Should we feel confident in our spiritual maturity?

Philippians 3:12-14 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

John 16:16-19

What is Jesus talking about with His “a little while” statements?

To whom do the Disciples direct their questions?

John 7:33-34 Jesus then said, "I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come."

John 16:5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?'

John 16:20-22

What will be the reactions to Jesus' crucifixion? To what does Jesus compare these Passion events?

Why should we have the same kind of joy as the Disciples?

Matthew 20:28 The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

John 16:23-24

Why will the Disciples be asking nothing of Jesus? For what should Disciples ask?

Luke 11:13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

John 16:25-28

What type of speech had Jesus used to this point?

^{KJG} **John 16:25** These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

^{NLT} **John 16:25** "I have spoken of these matters in parables, but the time will come when this will not be necessary, and I will tell you plainly all about the Father.

What does the love of the Father mean for the Disciples?

John 16:29-30

Do the Disciples understand?

What do they mean by "you do not need anyone to question you"?

John 17:8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

John 16:31-33

Is Jesus content with their faith? Will Jesus be left alone?

What is the purpose of Jesus' statements here?

What will Disciples have in the world? What does it mean for Jesus to overcome the world?

John 16:11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

What comes next in John's Gospel?

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