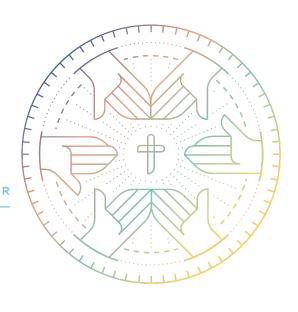


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Twenty-Four Hours: "Leaving Us for Good" Scripture Focus: John 16

ICEBREAKER

Think about a time when someone important left your life—whether a friend, a family member, or a colleague. How did that departure affect you? What was the hardest part about them leaving?

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If you had a personal guide who could be with you all the time to help make decisions, guide your steps, and give you wisdom, how would that impact your life? How would you feel knowing you had someone by your side like that?

INTO THE WORD

Read John 16:4b-6. Why were the disciples filled with sorrow when Jesus said He was leaving? How do you relate to their feelings of confusion or abandonment in this moment?

Read John 16:7-8. Jesus says it is to the disciples' advantage that He leaves and sends the Helper. What do you think it means that the Holy Spirit is "to our advantage"?

Read John 16:10-15, Acts 1:8, 1 Corinthians 2:13, Ephesians 1:13-14, Galatians 5:22-23. What are some of the key roles the Holy Spirit plays according to these verses? How do these roles help us as followers of Christ?

Read John16:33. Jesus says, "Take heart; I have overcome the world." How does this statement change how we view the struggles and tribulations we face in our lives today?

GROUP PRAYER

Your HOST will now lead your group through prayer.

EMBRACE AND EMBODY

As you reflect on Jesus' victory and His overcoming of the world, remind yourself each day that you do not face life's trials alone. When faced with difficulties, declare the truth that Jesus has already overcome everything that stands against you, and rely on the Holy Spirit to give you strength and perspective. In moments of conviction, when the Holy Spirit reveals areas where you need growth or transformation, respond by surrendering to His work in your heart. Allow the Spirit to shape and renew you, guiding you toward righteousness and truth. By embracing the Holy Spirit's guidance and embodying His fruit, you are living out the transformation Jesus promised and allowing the Spirit to work powerfully in your life every dav.