

WEEK 7: JESUS TAUGHT LOVE AND PROMISED THE HOLY SPIRIT

DAY 1: GOD LOVES HIS SON AND US

John 3:16. John 13:1-9. John 17:22-26.

1. This week we go on to another big subject in the book of John. This book has much to say about love. It was because of love that Jesus brought us life.

What did Jesus have to do in order to bring life? _____

What did He say He would do when He was lifted up from the earth? _____

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2. Jesus had to die to bring life. He said He would draw everyone to Him. Many people in the world do not know this. They do not know the truth of the Bible. They try to worship some other way. There are many religions in the world. Religion means a way of trying to serve God. From the book of John we learn these things:

- (1) The Father showed His love for us by sending Jesus.
- (2) The teaching of love makes the Christian religion different from all others.

Take your Bible now and read John 13:1 to 9. This is not the first time Jesus spoke about love. Say John 3:16 which you learned at the beginning of this course.

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3. Look in your Bible to see if you said it right. It is surprising that God loves the world. Most religions do not teach this. Jesus began to talk about love soon after He started preaching. He told Nicodemus about it.

In John 3:16, why did God send Jesus to save the world? _____

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4. It is because He loved the world. The Father also loved Jesus. John says that Jesus was His only Son.

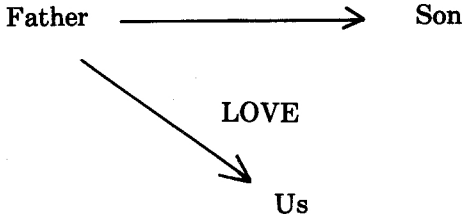
John 3:35:

The Father loves his Son and has put everything in his power.

John 5:20:

For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing.

We can make a picture to show that the Father loves Jesus and the Father loves us. The arrows mean that love is going from one to the others.



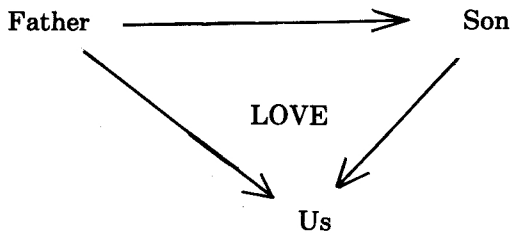
Whose love was Jesus showing first when He came to earth? _____

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5. He was showing the father's love. The Father sent Him because the Father loved the world. But Jesus also loved people. In the verse for today He showed His love by washing the disciples feet. So we can add to the picture. See what Jesus said.

John 15:9:

I love you just as the Father loves me; remain in my love.

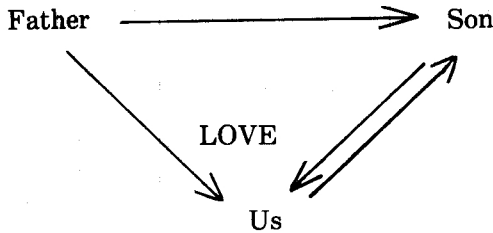


To whom should we return love because they both love us? _____

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6. We should return love to the Father and to the Son. Some people would like to love God without loving Jesus. The leaders of the Jews were this way. But Jesus said that we cannot love the Father unless we love the Son.



John 16:27:

for the Father loves you. He loves you because you love me and have believed that I came from God.

How did the Father show His love for us? _____

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7. The Father showed His love by sending Jesus. That is the first thing we are learning today. The second teaching of love makes the Christian religion different from all others. We have seen that there is love going from the Father to the Son and from the Son to us. We have seen that there is love going from the Father to us and from us to the Son. Let us read more about this in John.

In your Bible read John 17:22 to 26. Read verse 23 again. What does the Father do to the believers as He does to Jesus? _____

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8. He loves them. Now see something surprising which Jesus said about love. He was praying to the Father about the believers when He said this.

John 17:26:

I made you known to them, and I will continue to do so, in order that the love you have for me may be in them.

Where does Jesus want the Father's love for Him to be found? _____

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9. He wants it to be found in the believers. So you see that there is love everywhere. The Father loves. The Son loves. And the believers love. Only the Christian religion talks about love in this way. The Christian religion is the only one which has a foundation of love.

Think about those who pray to ancestral spirits. Do they believe that God is near and loves them?

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10. They do not usually believe this. Perhaps you know some people who follow the religions of India. Some of them call themselves Hindus. Perhaps you have talked with them about their religion. Or perhaps you have talked with someone who knows about their religion. They do not say that their religion is based on love.

What book in the Bible says God sent His son because He loved the world.? _____

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11. It is the book of John. It explains that God loves the world. Perhaps you know some Muslim people. They follow their leader Mohammed. They keep many strong laws. They pray to God, who is Allah. But they do not believe that God sent His Son to the earth because of love.

What religion is different from all others because it is based on love? _____

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12. This is the Christian religion. Living to please ancestral spirits brings much fear. The people of the Hindu religion try to do many good works. Muslim people think much more about God's greatness than they do about His love.

What word taught in John makes the Christian religion different from all others? _____

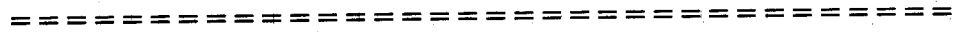
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13. The word is love. I have never heard a witch doctor talk about love. Instead he talks about keeping spirits from being angry. People ask me how I know that God loves me. I tell them what God did to save me. That is the most important teaching in the Christian religion. He did that because of love.

How did the Father show His love for us? _____

14. The Father did this by sending Jesus. Jesus came to die. He paid the price for our sins.

Mr. Mpande was not a Christian. His son was very sick so he went to the witch doctor. The witch doctor said the spirits were angry and wanted a sacrifice. Mr. Mpande had to give a goat to make the spirits happy. The witch doctor kept a flock of goats to sell to people like Mr. Mpande.

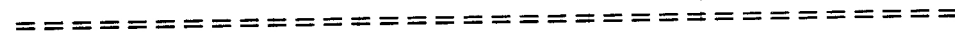
What word taught in John makes the Christian religion different from all others?



15. The word is love. The Christian religion also teaches that we need a sacrifice. We have sinned against God. Our sins must be punished. But God loves us. He sent Jesus to die as our sacrifice.

Think how much a father loves his children. If you have a son, think how much you love him. You would not let him die for someone else. But God sent Jesus because He loves you. When an unbeliever asks why you love God, you should have a good answer.

If someone asked why you love God, what would you say? _____



16. Be ready to talk about this in class.

How did the Father show His love for us? _____

What word taught in John makes the Christian religion different from all others?

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DAY 2: JESUS LOVES HIS OWN AND THEY LOVE HIM

John 13:1. John 13:12-20.

1. Yesterday we learned about God's love toward His Son. We learned about His love toward us.

How did the Father show His love for us? _____

What word taught in John makes the Christian religion different from all others? _____

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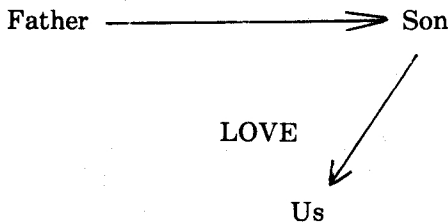
2. The father showed His love by sending Jesus. The teaching of love makes the Christian religion different. Today we will learn about the love of Jesus. All through this book we have been seeing how Jesus loved people. He helped each one. But now Jesus taught something more about love.

- (1) Jesus showed love to the disciples by washing their feet and asking them to do the same.
- (2) Our love for Him is showed in John 14:21.

Yesterday we read how Jesus washed the disciples feet. In your Bible, finish reading about this in John 13:12 to 20. Go back and read verse one of this chapter. What did Jesus do to His own who were in the world? _____

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3. He loved them to the end. Remember this picture.



We have seen how Jesus loved the people and helped them. We have seen how much He loved Mary and Martha and Lazarus.

As we learned, what made the people think that Jesus loved Lazarus? _____

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4. Jesus cried. He felt the sorrow of the people at Lazarus' grave. Jesus also loved John very much. John called himself the disciple whom Jesus loved. In the whole book of John he never called himself by name. Of course Jesus loved all the disciples. But perhaps John saw Jesus love because he loved Jesus more.

John 13:23:

One of the disciples, the one whom Jesus loved, was sitting next to Jesus.

Of whose love was John sure? _____

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5. He was sure of Jesus' love. One of the disciples did not love Jesus truly. He would give Jesus to the soldiers in the end. Jesus knew this, but He did not drive Judas away.

John 13:10-11:

... All of you are clean--all except one." (Jesus already knew who was going to betray him, that is why he said, "All of you except one, are clean.")

Do you think Jesus stopped loving Judas? _____

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6. It seems that Jesus loved Judas too. He washed his feet along with the others. Some people think that power is more important than love. But see what Jesus did.

John 13:3-4:

Jesus knew that the Father had given him complete power; he knew that he had come from God and was going to God. So he rose from the table, took off his outer garment, and tied a towel around his waist.

How did Jesus show love instead of power at this time? _____

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7. He washed their feet. But He was their leader. This was very hard for them to understand. They knew He had plenty of power. They had seen Him heal the sick, drive out demons, quiet the wind, and raise the dead. They had seen Him drive the traders out of the temple. They wanted Him to be a powerful leader. But look what Jesus said.

John 13:13-14:

You call me Teacher and Lord, and it is right that you do so, because that is what I am. I, your Lord and teacher, have just washed your feet. You, then, should wash one another's feet.

In John 13, whose feet did Jesus wash, asking them to do the same? _____

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8. It was the disciples' feet. They thought power was better than love. But Jesus was teaching them. Soon He would die on the cross. This was the greatest thing which showed His love. Before that He did many small things which showed His love.

In John 13, how did Jesus show love to the disciples, asking them to do the same?

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9. He washed their feet. Jesus taught many things about love. He showed that the Father loves Him and He loves the Father. He showed that the Son loves us. He also showed how we can love the Son. A little later Jesus said these words about love.

John 14:21:

Whoever accepts my commandments and obeys them is the one who loves me. My Father will love whoever loves me; I too will love him and reveal myself to him.

This is a good verse to remember. Copy where it is found. _____

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10. It is found in John 14:21. The first part of this verse tells who it is who loves Jesus. Read this part again.

John 14:21:

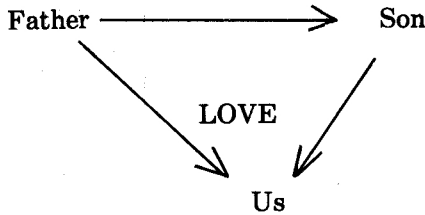
Whoever accepts my commandments and obeys them is the one who loves me.

It was not enough to accept the commands of Jesus. What should we do to them to show our love?

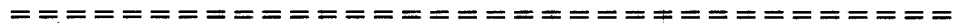
11. We must obey them. This does not mean just one time. It means to keep on doing it. When we stop following what Jesus said, we no longer love Him. But when we truly love Jesus something else happens. Look at the rest of the verse.

John 14:21:

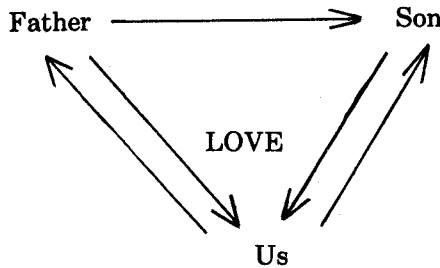
... My Father will love whoever loves me; I too will love him and reveal myself to him.



Who are the two who love us as we love Jesus? _____ and _____



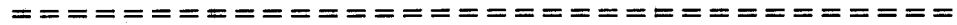
12. The father and the Son love us. And now we know how we can return love to both of them. We love the Father by loving Jesus. We love Jesus by keeping His commandments.



John 14:21:

Whoever accepts my commandments and obeys them is the one who loves me. My Father will love whoever loves me; I too will love him and reveal myself to him.

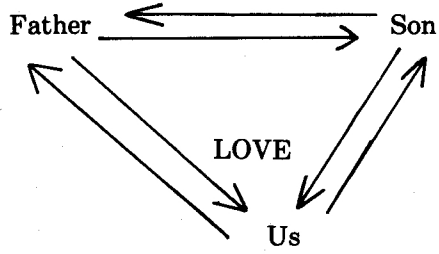
Take time to memorise this verse now. When you know it well, hide the verse. Write it here. John 14:21:



13. We need one more arrow to finish the picture. This should show that the Son loves the Father. Jesus did not forget this part. He too needed to obey commands. He was not asking us to do something He refused to do. He set us a good example.

John 14:31:

but the world must know that I love the Father; that is why I do everthing as he commands me.



Melca lives in Vendaland. She was surprised when she first heard preaching about Jesus. She did not know that there could be so much love. This was what her heart wanted. She wanted God to love her. She wanted to love God.

What did you think when you first heard about the love of God? _____

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14. In John 13 how did Jesus show love to the disciples, asking them to do the same? _____

Who is it who loves Jesus? Answer by writing John 14:21. _____

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DAY 3: WE MUST LOVE ONE ANOTHER

John 13:31-38. John 15:12-13.

1. On the first day of this week we saw God's love. Yesterday we saw Jesus' love. Today we will learn what Jesus said about loving one another.

In John 13 how did Jesus show love to the disciples, asking them to do the same?

Who is it who loves Jesus? Answer by saying John 14:21.

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2. In John 13 Jesus showed love by washing the disciples' feet. Look in your Bible to see if you said John 14:21 right. Now let us go on to learn more about love. Jesus was with His disciples on the last night. He gave them a new commandment.

- (1) The new commandment was that the disciples should love one another as Jesus loved them.
- (2) If we love one another, people will see that we are Christ's disciples.

In your Bible read John 13:31 to 38. Read verse 33 again. Why was this new command of Jesus important?

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3. It was important because Jesus was leaving them. He had taught them many things. Now they must go and live these things. People would believe what the disciples said if people saw these things in their lives. It is not enough that we love God and He loves us. It is not enough that we love Jesus and He loves us.

John 13:34:

And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I loved you, so you must love one another.

Jesus said that the disciples must love whom? _____

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4. They should love one another. How much better our lives would be if we loved one another. But Christians sometimes love other people more than they love the Christians. Jesus said we should love one another as He loved us.

What is the greatest thing Jesus did to show His love for us? _____

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5. Jesus died for us. He died for you. He died for me. He wants us to give ourselves for other people. He wants us to love them. Jesus gave this command three times.

John 15:12:

My commandment is this: love one another, just as I love you.

Jesus gave the disciples a new commandment. How should they love one another?

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6. They should love one another as He loved them. This is not easy. It takes much strength.

John 15:13:

The greatest love a person can have for his friends is to give his life for them.

Do you know of anyone besides Jesus who gave his life for another person?

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7. If you wrote yes, be ready to tell the class about it.

Jonah Masango was a soldier in the war. One day he and four friends were in a cave. Jonah stumbled on a wire and a bomb fell from its hidden place and Jonah was killed. But his four friends were saved. If Jonah had not fallen on the bomb they too would have been killed. Jonah died for his friends because he loved them.

Who loved us enough to die for us? _____

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8. Jesus did this. Sometimes missionaries die when they go to preach to other tribes. Perhaps someone from your tribe died because he went to give other people the good news. But most of us do not expect to die for people. Instead we must show our love by living well with them. Jesus showed us many ways to give love to people.

The night before Jesus died, He gave the disciples a new commandment. How should they love one another?

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9. They should love one another as He loved them. Jesus spent much time with people. He taught them. He answered their questions. He prayed for them. He healed them. He sometimes fed them. He corrected them. He encouraged them.

Many of our pastors do the same things. They give their lives for other people. They teach. They pray for healing. They correct and encourage. Perhaps this is true of your life.

John 13:35:

If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.

Everyone will know that we are Jesus' disciples if we have what? _____

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10. We must have love for one another. It is not only the work of the pastor to do this. All Christians must care for one another.

Jesus did not say we would be His disciples if we know His commands. We can read the Bible every day. We can know many verses. We can know the truth. But this does not make people see that we are His disciples. Love is something that everyone can see.

If we love, everyone will see that we are whose disciples? _____

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11. They will see that we are Jesus' disciples. To love one another means to love all Christians. Today there are many churches. All true Christians believe and obey Christ. But some churches teach more about some things. Other churches teach more about other things. Jesus said that by a certain sign everyone would know we are His disciples. He did not mean the sign in front of the church! He meant we would be known by our love. The name of the church does not matter. Our love for one another is what matters.

Read John 13:35 again in your Bible. If we have love for one another, who will see that we are Jesus' disciples?

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12. Jesus said that everyone will see this. These are strong words. People see things through love which they cannot see in other ways. Some people say we need many church laws. But it is easy to obey laws. It is easy to say, "Do this and do that and you will be a Christian. But Jesus said that we should love one another. We cannot do this unless we are believing and walking with Him truly. If we love one another, what are we to Jesus?" _____

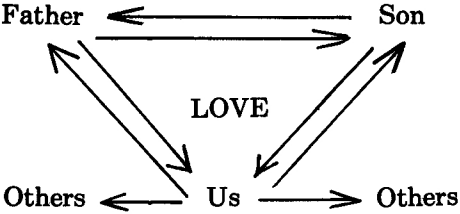
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13. We are disciples. Sometimes we see that Christians do not love one another. Some love one leader and some love another. Sometimes the leaders do not love one another. One leader gets many people to follow him. The others are jealous. Instead we should all want to be disciples of Jesus.

If we love one another, what did Jesus say everyone will see? _____

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14. Jesus said they will see that we are His disciples. This adds some new arrows to our picture of love.



Before Jesus died, He gave the disciples a new commandment. How should they love one another?

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15. They should love one another as He loved them. These were very important words of Jesus. He wanted the disciples to hear them well. But it seems that some of them were not thinking much about this. Peter was thinking about something else.

John 13:36-37:

“Where are you going, Lord?” Simon Peter asked him. “You cannot follow me now where I am going,” answered Jesus, “but later you will follow me.” “Lord, why can’t I follow you now?” asked Peter. “I am ready to die for you!”

Some of us are like Peter. We think we are ready to die for Jesus. But we are not much concerned about loving each other. Jesus had to tell Peter that he would soon deny Jesus.

Perhaps there is another Christian you do not really love. God will help you. Stop now and ask God to give you love for that person. Pray for him too that God will help him. Did you pray for that person?

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16. The night before He died, Jesus gave the disciples a new commandment. How should they love one another?

If we love one another, as Jesus said, what will every one see?

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DAY 4: THE FATHER WILL GIVE YOU ANOTHER HELPER

John 1:32-34. John 7:37-39. John 14:15-31.

1. The Bible is full of God's promises. On the night before Jesus died, He talked about love. He also gave the disciples a promise. We will learn what this promise was. But first let us remember the teachings from yesterday.

Jesus gave the disciples a new commandment. How should they love one another?

If we love one another, as Jesus said, what will everyone see? _____

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2. The disciples should love one another as Jesus loved them. If we love one another, everyone will see that we are His disciples. But we need help with this. The disciples could not do this by themselves. And Jesus was telling them that He was leaving. It is not surprising that they had many questions. But Jesus gave them a promise.

(1) The Helper whom Jesus promised to send from the Father is the Holy Spirit.

(2) Jesus said that the Helper would stay with them forever.

Take your Bible now and read John 14:15 to 24. What did Jesus promise? _____

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3. Jesus promised to send a Helper. This is not the first time we read about this Helper in the book of John. In the beginning God showed Jesus to John the Baptist in a special way.

John 1:33:

... God, who sent me to baptize with water, had said to me, 'You will see the Spirit come down and stay on a man; he is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'

Who came down to show John which man was the Son of God? _____

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4. It was the Spirit. This was not just any spirit. It was the Holy Spirit from God. Later Jesus talked about the Spirit to Nicodemus, and to the woman of Samaria.

John 3:6:

A person is born physically of human parents, but he is born spiritually of the Spirit.

John 4:24:

God is Spirit, and only by the power of his Spirit can people worship him as he really is.

Whose Spirit was Jesus talking about? _____

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5. He was talking about God's Spirit. Jesus taught more about this after He fed 5000 people.

John 6:63:

What gives life is God's spirit: man's power is of no use at all. The words I have spoken to you bring God's life-giving Spirit.

Jesus talked about the Holy Spirit again when He was teaching in the temple. In your Bible read John 7:38 and 39. Who would receive the Holy Spirit?

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6. It was those who believed. Now on the night before Jesus died, the disciples were afraid they would be left alone. But see what Jesus said.

John 14:18:

When I go, you will not be left all alone; I will come back to you.

Jesus had said he would send the Holy Spirit from the Father, but who did He say would come back to the disciples? _____

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7. Jesus said that He would come back. This helps us to see that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all one. The Holy Spirit is God, as Jesus is God. Jesus Himself as God's Spirit would come to live in the disciples.

John 14:16:

I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever.

Who is the Helper whom Jesus promised to sent from the Father? _____

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8. He is the Holy Spirit. Some people think the Holy Spirit is a thing. But he is God. Jesus had more to say about Him.

Read now in your Bible John 14:25 to 31. Read verse 26 again. What would the Holy Spirit make the disciples remember? _____

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9. He would make them remember everything Jesus said. In the book of Acts we see that Jesus did keep His promise.

Acts 2:1-2,4:

When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind.... They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages.

On what day did the Helper whom Jesus promised come? _____

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10. He came on the Day of Pentecost. The Day of Pentecost is the birthday of the church. The church began when the Holy Spirit came. Perhaps you have learned that the church is the body of Christ. Jesus was no longer living as a man of earth. His Spirit came to live in its new body, the church. Since that day the Holy Spirit has been with us. He will stay with us forever. Read the promise of Jesus again.

John 14:16:

I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever.

What is another name for the Holy Spirit who will stay with us forever? _____

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11. Another name is the Helper. Now the Helper will never leave us. He came first on the Day of Pentecost. All those who received Him were Jews. But later he came to those who were not Jews. In Acts 10 we read how He came to the Gentiles in the house of Cornelius. This was God's way of showing that the Gospel is for everyone. It is for all who believe. The Holy Spirit is for all who believe too.

How long did Jesus say the Holy Spirit will stay with us? _____

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12. He will stay with us forever. Because of this we can have peace. Remember what Jesus said.

John 14:27:

Peace is what I leave with you; it is my own peace that I give you. I do not give it as the world does. Do not be worried and upset; do not be afraid.

Jamu was a good man. He worked hard in the church. But he feared evil spirits very much. His pastor preached about the Holy Spirit. Jamu learned that we can let the Holy Spirit rule our lives. He learned that the Holy Spirit has power to help us. Jamu believed God's promise. He now has peace and his fear of spirits is gone. He trusts the Holy Spirit to help him.

What made the difference in Jamu's life? _____

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13. The difference was that he trusted the Holy Spirit. Jesus said that it was better for Him to go that the Spirit could come.

John 14:28:

You heard me say to you, 'I am leaving, but I will come back to you,' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father for He is greater than I.

How long did Jesus say the Holy Spirit will stay with us? _____

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14. He will stay with us forever.

Sabelo was a new Christian. He was led to Jesus by his friend, Temba. Sabelo followed Temba in everything he did. He often went to Temba for advice. They studied the Bible together and prayed together often. Sabelo did not know how he could be a Christian without Temba's help.

Then Temba had to go away. He told Sabelo that he must learn to depend on the Holy Spirit. He should pray and read the Bible, asking the Holy Spirit to help him. Sabelo did this. It was hard at first but it became easier. Sabelo became a strong Christian.

Why was it good that Temba had to go away? _____

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15. Be ready to share your answer in class.

Who is the Helper whom Jesus promised to send from the Father? _____

How long did Jesus say the Helper will stay with us? _____

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DAY 5: THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OUR COUNSELOR AND TEACHER

John 15:26-27. John 16:1-15.

1. The Bible says much about the work of the Helper from God. Today we will learn more of what John says about this. We will see what this means in our lives.

Who is the Helper whom Jesus promised to send from the Father? _____

How long did Jesus say the Helper will stay with us? _____

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2. The Helper from the Father is the Holy Spirit. Jesus said He will stay with us forever. But what does He do? This is what we want to learn today. If you studied the book **Following Jesus** you learned four kinds of work which He does. Today we want to learn two special ways in which He is our Helper.

- (1) He is our Counselor.
- (2) He is our Teacher.

In your Bible read more words of Jesus about the Holy Spirit in John 16:5 to 15. Read verse 7 again. Why did Jesus say it was better for him to go away?

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3. If Jesus did not go away, the Holy Spirit would not come. If He did go away, then He would send the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit would be a Counselor and Teacher to the believers. But He would also help other people too. If you studied **New Testament Survey, Part 1**, you learned that He convicts people of sin, and righteousness, and judgment. The Holy Spirit shows people that they need Christ.

John 16:8:

And when he comes, he will prove to the people of the world that they are wrong about sin and about what is right and about God's judgment.

What kind of people does the Holy Spirit help in this way? Is it believers or unbelievers?

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4. He does this for unbelievers. But He is the special Helper of the believers. In the language in which the New Testament was written, the word for Helper means Counselor. Counselor comes from the word counsel. This means to give good advice. A counselor helps people to understand. He helps them know what to do. He speaks for them.

Who is the Counselor of the believers? _____

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5. This is the Holy Spirit. In our countries today we might think of a counselor as an advocate or solicitor.

Mr. Khamulo wanted to buy his wife a nice sewing machine. But he did not have enough money. So the shop keeper said, "Just give a little of the money now. I will put this new sewing machine in the back room. I will put your name on it. Each week you can give me some money. When you have paid the full price I will give you the machine."

Finally Mr. Khumalo had paid the full price. But the shop keeper gave him a broken sewing machine. It was not the machine Mr. Khumalo agreed to pay for. But the shop keeper said it was. He would not give the money back.

Mr. Khumalo did not know what to do. What kind of person did he need to help him?

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6. Mr. Khumalo needed a counselor. If you said solicitor or advocate, that is right too. Mr. Khumalo found such a man. He told Mr. Khumalo what to do. They took the case to the judge or magistrate. The counselor knew exactly what to say. Mr. Khumalo got his money back from the shop keeper.

As the Counselor, who does the Holy Spirit want to help? _____

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7. He wants to help the believers. He wants to help us. He wants to give us good advice. The Holy Spirit is with us all the time.

The counselor for Mr. Khumalo was with him for only a short time. When Mr. Khumalo did not know what to do, the counselor told him what was right. He comforted him and encouraged him. But when the case was finished, the counselor went away. The Holy Spirit is not like that. He stays with us always.

What is the first special way in which the Holy Spirit is our Helper?

(1) _____

(2) He is our Teacher.

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8. The Holy Spirit is our Counselor. He is also our Teacher. A teacher does not only say, "Do this." He shows his students many things. He helps them learn these things. Then they understand why it is good to do this and that. Remember what Jesus said.

John 16:12-13:

I have much more to tell you, but now it would be too much for you to bear. When, however, the Spirit comes, who reveals the truth about God, he will lead you into all the truth.

The Holy Spirit teaches us the truth about whom? _____

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9. He teaches us the truth about God. How does He do this? One way He teaches us is by helping us understand God's word. Perhaps you were once reading your Bible. As you read, one verse spoke clearly to you. It seemed it was written just for you. It gave you just what you needed. That was the Holy Spirit working. He was teaching you. Remember what we read yesterday.

John 14:26:

The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and make you remember all that I have told you.

In this verse, what kind of thing does the Holy Spirit teach us? _____

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10. First He teaches us the things Jesus said. These are things from the past. But they help us with the things that are happening in our lives now. There is also something else the Holy Spirit teaches us. Here is the rest of the verse we read a little while ago.

John 16:13:

... He will not speak on his own authority, but he will speak of what he hears and will tell you of things to come.

Besides reminding us of past things, and telling us what He hears now, what kind of things does the Holy Spirit teach? _____

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11. He teaches about things to come. We need the help of the Holy Spirit very much. Sometimes people think they hear the Holy Spirit. But they are really listening to spirits from Satan. There are many false prophets around us. The Holy Spirit teaches us the truth. He brings glory to Jesus. False prophets and false spirit do not bring glory to Jesus. They only want to honour themselves.

John 15:26:

The Helper will come--the Spirit, who reveals the truth about God and who comes from the Father. I will send Him to you from the Father, and he will speak about me.

When the Holy Spirit counsels us we call Him counselor. What do we call him when He teaches us? _____

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12. We call Him our teacher. Our Teacher, the Holy Spirit, brings glory to Jesus. We should always give glory to Jesus in all that we do. When you are not sure if you should do something, do this: Ask if it will give glory to Jesus. The Holy Spirit will help you to decide. The Holy Spirit teaches us to choose right.

John 16:14:

He will give me glory, because he will take what I say and tell it to you.

In what two special ways is the Holy Spirit our Helper?

- (1) _____
- (2) He is our Teacher.

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13. First He is our Counselor. The Holy Spirit will make your life good as He gives glory to Jesus. When someone lets the Holy Spirit teach him, you can see it in his life. He gives glory to Jesus in everything. This is because the Holy Spirit gives glory to Jesus.

John 16:15:

All that my Father has is mine; that is why I said that the Spirit will take What I give him and tell it to you.

In this verse we see the three persons of God again. We see that the Father has given His truth to the Son. The Son gives it to the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit gives it to us.

What is the second special way in which the Holy Spirit is our Helper?

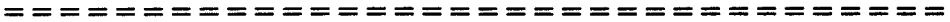
- (1) He is our Counselor.
- (2) _____

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14. He is our teacher. He will teach us everything about the Son and the Father. He will help us give glory to Jesus in all that we do.

Mrs. Ndlovu is a good school teacher. When she teaches about the things around us, she gives glory to God. She says, "God made our world." When she teaches about the countries of the world she says, "God made different kinds of people." When she talks with other teachers, she tells how God helps in her life. She says that the Holy Spirit is her Teacher and Jesus is her Headmaster.

Some Christians do not talk much about the Holy Spirit. Perhaps you need to talk about Him more. Go to someone who needs the teaching of this lesson. Tell him what you have learned. Tell him how the Holy Spirit has helped in your life. Be ready to tell the class what he said.



15. Write two ways in which the Holy Spirit is our Helper?

(1) _____

(2) _____