## w/b 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019 THEME HOLY SPIRIT: PERSON PRESENCE POWER - WORKING IN THE LIVES OF UNBELIEVERS. LIFE APPLICATION

## PASSAGE: John 16:4-33

LAUNCH

How did you feel the last time you said goodbye to a friend who was leaving?

## **DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING**

How do you react to the statement, "Sorrow is normal, even inevitable"?

Why was Jesus talking to his disciples about sorrow and joy in this text?

Why do you think that on the one hand some people have significant gifts that they attribute to Holy Spirit (like healing and speaking in tongues) and some people hardly acknowledge his existence at all?

Where do you fall on that spectrum personally? Where does your personal view of Holy Spirit come from?

How can it be that it is to disciples (and our) advantage that Jesus goes away?

Jesus says the Holy Spirit will convict the world concerning righteousness and judgment (v8-11). What do people in the world need to be convicted about concerning righteousness?

How can you know that Holy Spirit is guiding you into the truth? (v13)

What boundaries help you know it is Holy Spirit leading you and not just a voice in your own head?

How will Holy Spirit work in us to "glorify Jesus"? What specifically is he doing?

How does Jesus say we can have peace and joy in the midst of sorrow? What makes peace and sorrow compatible?

Has anyone ever told you, you shouldn't feel pain or sorrow because Jesus made everything better? How did that make you feel? How can we help someone who is struggling with pain and sorrow find peace without trivializing their pain or acting like they shouldn't feel sorrow?

If someone were to ask you about Holy Spirit, who he is and what he does, what would you say to them based on John 16?

## APPLICATION

Pray that we would all be full of Holy Spirit to share our faith and personal story with those that we meet

Pray for your local community that he would convict of sin, dodgy righteousness and proud minds.

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