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Jesus tells us he needs to leave so he can send the Holy Spirit.

"The thought is eschatological. The many biblical promises that the Spirit will characterize the age of the kingdom of God (e.g. Is. 11:1–10; 32:14–18; 42:1–4; 44:1–5; Ezk. 11:17–20; 36:24–27; 37:1–14; Joel 2:28–32; cf. notes on Jn. 3:5; 7:37–39) breed anticipation. But this saving reign of God cannot be fully inaugurated until Jesus has died, risen from the dead, and been exalted to this Father's right hand, returned to the glory he enjoyed with the Father before the world began"- D. A. Carson.

This means

"Jesus' valuation of what is for his disciples' 'good', indeed, for our good, ought to temper longings of the 'Oh-if-only-I-could-have-been-in-Galilee-when-Jesus-was-there!' sort. That same Jesus insists it is better to be alive now, after the coming of the Spirit. Before the triumphant in-breaking of God's saving reign, before the inauguration of the new covenant, millions ignored the claims of the true God. Pentecost transformed that limitation, and millions have been brought to happy submission to the Lord Jesus Christ and to growing obedience by the power of the Spirit whom he bequeathed. That is why the final two Paraclete utterances (vv. 8–11 and 12–15) are introduced at this point."- D. A. Carson

"It is important to note that the Spirit comes to the church and not to the world. This means that He works in and through the church. The Holy Spirit does not minister in a vacuum. Just as the Son of God had to have a body in order to do His work on earth, so the Spirit of God needs a body to accomplish His ministries; and that body is the church. Our bodies are His tools and temples, and He wants to use us to glorify Christ and to witness to a lost world."- Warren W. Wiersbe

Who Will.....

a) Convict the world of sin

"The meaning, then, is as follows. Just as Jesus forced a division in the world (15:20) by showing that what it does is evil (7:7; 15:22), so the Paraclete continues this work. Indeed, he most commonly does so through the witness of disciples (15:26, 27); he always does so in connection with the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ, since his whole purpose is to bring glory to him (16:14). By his 'departure', his death/exaltation, Jesus fulfills the conditions that must be met before he can send the Paraclete; and the gift of the Paraclete is so great that Jesus' 'departure' must be seen as for the disciples' good (vv. 6, 7). When the Paraclete comes, he extends the ministry of Jesus in ways the disciples could not have foreseen. In particular, he convicts the world of its sin, its righteousness, and its judgment."- D. A. Carson

"The Holy Spirit convicts the world of one particular sin, the sin of unbelief. The law of God and the conscience of man will convict the sinner of his sins (plural) specifically; but it is the work of the Spirit, through the witness of the believers, to expose the unbelief of the lost world. After all, it is unbelief that condemns the lost sinner (John 3:18–21), not the committing of individual sins. A person could "clean up his life" and quit his or her bad habits and still be lost and go to hell."- Warren W. Wiersbe

b) Bring righteousness to us- God's Holiness applied justly

"As we have observed, one of Jesus' most startling roles with respect to the world was to show up the emptiness of its pretensions, to expose by his light the darkness of the world for what it is (3:19–21; 7:7; 15:22, 24)." - D. A. Carson

"The Spirit also convicts the sinner of righteousness, not unrighteousness. Whose righteousness? The righteousness of Jesus Christ, the perfect Lamb of God. The world would not receive the Son of God (John 1:10), so He has returned to the Father. When He was here on earth, He was accused by men of being a blasphemer, a lawbreaker, a deceiver, and even a demoniac. The Spirit of God reveals the Saviour in the Word and in this way glorifies Him (John 16:13–14). The Spirit also reveals Christ in the lives of believers. The world cannot receive or see the Spirit of God, but they can see what He does as they watch the lives of dedicated believers."- Warren W. Wiersbe

c) Show judgement to Satan and those who will not listen.

"Earlier Jesus had exhorted the 'world', 'Stop judging by mere appearances, and make a right judgment' (7:24). Jesus' judgment is righteous (dikaia, 5:30) and true (8:16). The world's judgment is profoundly wrong and morally perverse. And now, the Paraclete convicts the world of its false judgment, because in the impending triumph of Christ the prince of this world stands condemned." - D. A. Carson

"The Spirit convicts the lost sinner of judgment. Do not confuse this statement with Acts 24:25 ("of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come"). Jesus was referring to His judgment of Satan that was effected by His death on the cross (John 12:31). Satan is the prince of this world, but he is a defeated prince. Satan has already been judged and the verdict announced. All that must take place is the executing of the sentence, and that will occur when Jesus returns.

When a lost sinner is truly under conviction, he will see the folly and evil of unbelief; he will confess that he does not measure up to the righteousness of Christ; and he will realize that he is under condemnation because he belongs to the world and the devil (Eph. 2:1-3). The only person who can rescue him from such a horrible situation is Jesus Christ, the Son of God. There can be no conversion without conviction, and there can be no conviction apart from the Spirit of God using the Word of God and the witness of the child of God." - Warren W. Wiersbe

III-The emperors new clothes vs wearing visible attire

"The Emperor's New Clothes" is a short tale written by Danish author Hans Christian Anderson about two weavers who promise an emperor a new suit of clothes that they say is invisible to those who are unfit for their positions, stupid, or incompetent - while in reality, they make no clothes at all, making everyone believe the clothes are invisible to them. When the emperor parades before his subjects in his new "clothes", no one dares to say that they do not see any suit of clothes on him for fear that they will be seen as stupid. Finally, a child cries out, "But he isn't wearing anything at all!"

The world can force us into a position where if we are seen to disagree with how it operates we are labelled as the people in the fairy tale. All

live in fear of speaking up as to do so would mean they would be thought of as “stupid or incompetent”, or in today's terms “bigoted and small-minded”

God chooses to put clothes of righteousness on us, in view in this illustration is the life of Christ which is viewed upon every believer. How this righteousness is expressed is via the Holy Spirit who dwells with every believer.

We must let this attire be more than skin deep; God will know what truth is, he is never fooled, we can fool ourselves, so we need to aim to let this “clothing” become part of us.

Ephesians 4:23-24 (NLT) Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. 24 Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy.

III- X Men. In the film series X men- the leader of these superheroes, Charles Xavier has the power to control minds, yet through the series comes to realise that love means he cannot force a person into actions just by dominating their will but needs to allow a free choice towards instructed right actions. God is the same. He may orchestrate life to give clear warning signs, but wants to call people through love, not fear nor power!

The HS isn't here to take over by force but is like a dancing partner to lead our movements to see a better future, or better still a tour guide.

An advocate who is wanting you to trust him to lead you to the next step. It means we come to the position of knowing the next step is made out of love and we trust him in that love, even if it may take us out of our comfort zone.

III- Caravan show. What can be achieved in a certain space on a basic design?

III- Small houses the new community

Example- Those who are going to rebuild lego and come up with something.

Holy Spirit is doing a knock down rebuild, but in his hands, the things of corruption become a thing of beauty. He can manage things with us that we never thought were possible.

Titus 3:4-7 (NLT) "When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, 5 he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. 6 He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. 7 Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life."

III- A person who rebuilds a dry stone wall knows how to take things seemingly just lying around and know how to treasure them.

We are marvellous in God's eyes because he sees the person of Christ when he sees us, and Jesus is marvellous in the eyes of the Father!

III- A museum needs to be entered to be enjoyed and experienced.

The Holy Spirit is a guide to allow you to see who you are in the Lord's sight, how you become part of his perfect plan, and how together we represent his kingdom on earth.

III- Shining down from heaven. Just as a shadow cast an image of the original item, you and I are part of the image of the original heaven, we are being displayed on earth for others to see.

How the master uses us willingly to show the beauty of who he is.

Practical- How do we describe our faith community to others, are we recognising and sharing the Joy?

Final- We need to become "surrendered and sanctified."

III- The Parable of House ownership

"A man called John had a two-storey house, with five rooms on the ground floor and five upstairs.

One day he heard someone knocking gently on the front door. When John opened it, it was the Lord Jesus. 'Please come in,' John said, thrilled at the unexpected visit. 'I'll give you the best room in the house "' it's upstairs.' Well, Jesus is a gentleman, said 'thank you' and gladly accepted the invitation.

The next morning someone hammered hard on the front door. When John opened it, who was there? The devil. 'No!' shouted John, 'I don't want you here.' But the devil grinned, 'I'm already in' "' and pushed John aside. A huge fight started. Satan poured filthy temptations on John, negative, sinful thoughts; it was horrible. By the evening had John somehow gained the upper hand; he threw the devil out and closed the door. Still trying to catch his breath, he said to himself, 'Just a minute. I gave Jesus the best room in the house. Why didn't he come and help me?'

John took his question to Jesus, who said, 'Look, you gave me just one of your ten rooms.' John saw the problem, fell to his knees and said, 'Lord Jesus, I can see my mistake. Please forgive me. Let's make it 50/50.'

Jesus politely accepted his offer.

The next day was a repeat of the day before. Somehow the devil got in, and the fight was on again. By the evening John was totally exhausted and again wondered, 'Why didn't Jesus come and help me today? I'll have to go and ask him.'

The Lord said, 'My child, why don't you give me your whole house and then, instead of me staying with you as your guest, why don't you stay with me?' John broke down. He pulled the key of the front door from his pocket and handed it to Jesus. Please be Lord over my entire life,' he said. Now he had given Jesus everything.

The next morning, while it was still dark, someone knocked at the front door so hard that the whole building shook. John jumped out of bed shaking with fright. 'Oh no, it's the devil again', he whimpered. Then suddenly he heard footsteps in the house. It was Jesus, striding in majesty and power towards the front door. He was holding the key. Now it was his duty to answer the door to callers. John wondered what would happen and ran to the door. He was standing right behind Jesus when the Lord opened the door wide. Who was it? The devil, of course. Yet when the devil saw Jesus standing at the door, he bowed low, very low indeed, and said, 'Sorry, Sir. I must have knocked on the wrong door!' And ran off as fast as he could."-<https://www.cfan.org.uk/connect/bible-studies/parable-victorious-living>