THE GOSPEL OF JOHN Chapter 16

INTRODUCTION...

In Chapter 16 Jesus begins to prepare His disciples for His departure to the Father. He acknowledges that they will have much sorrow and tribulation, but encourages them not to worry. Jesus then tells them several benefits of His departure: the Helper will come to them and declare all things, He (Jesus) will return to see them again, they may now ask the Father for all things in His name, and He has overcome the world.

These benefits still hold true for all believers. Truly truly we will have sorrows and tribulations in this world, but we can be of good cheer because Jesus has overcome the world. We can now ask, in His name, and we will receive from the Father whatever we ask. We can trust the Holy Spirit that dwells within us to guide us into all truth and to glorify Jesus in our lives. And we can have all this while we patiently wait for the return of our King...Jesus!

Be sure that you read the questions carefully to make sure that you have answered the complete question. You will notice that some of the questions may have more than one part.

Remember that you will be using the Inductive Bible Study (IBS) method of study. Which means that in each study you will be required to make observations, interpretations and application of what you have observed and interpreted? (see further explanation in Study #1)

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE...

John 16:33

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

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THIS WEEKS BIBLE STUDY...CHAPTER SIXTEEN...

Be sure and pray before you begin your bible study, asking the Lord to reveal those things that He wants you to know from the text you are reading.

Read through the chapter, at least twice, and then answer the following questions. Be sure to write the Scripture reference to support your answer.

What "things" is Jesus talking about in vs. 1?
Why did Jesus speak them?
Why would the people do what Jesus said in vs. 2?
Why did Jesus tell them the things he was telling them?
Why didn't Jesus say the things he was saying in the beginning?

What was the advantage of Jesus leaving?
What was the advantage to me today?
What are the three roles of the Holy Spirit (be specific)?
What do we know about the Holy Spirit from vs. 12-15 (six things)?
What did Jesus mean by vs. 16?
Did they understand what Jesus was saying? Why or why not?

Why did Jesus ask what he asked in vs. 19?
What did Jesus mean by vs. 20?
How would their sorrow be turned to joy?
AHow will our sorrow be turned to joy?
In your own words explain the meaning of vs. 21.
What is the purpose of asking the Lord for things?

How are we to ask?
What did Jesus mean by vs. 25?
What did Jesus mean by "and I do not say to you that I shall pray to the Father for you"?
What do you think Jesus meant by vs. 32?
What about vs. 33 brings you the most encouragement?

Write down some of the things that the Lord spoke to your heart while studying Chapter 16?
QUESTIONS?
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