

The Woman in Travail

John 16:7-33

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There is often a _____ between the theoretical and the practical sides of our _____. Instruction without application will leave us spiritually _____, like knowing the facts about Jesus without ever _____ trusting Him as Savior. The Master used this last parabolic illustration to help _____ that gap for the disciples.

A. Bringing More _____ to Confusion

1. _____ in Christ – the key to the power of the Holy Spirit
 - a. It _____ by personally trusting Christ as Savior and Lord.
 - b. It is _____ by a continuous dependence on Christ.
 - c. Significant _____ in the Word and prayer is necessary.
2. Jesus promised to _____ the Comforter (Holy Spirit) to them.
 - a. He emphasized the necessity for Him to _____ so that could happen.
 - b. The Holy Spirit will _____ the world concerning sin, righteousness, and _____. (John 16:8-11)
 - c. The Holy Spirit will _____ them into all truth.
 - (1). He will not _____ of Himself.
 - (2). He would _____ and glorify Jesus.
3. Sorrow was beginning to _____ the disciples.
 - a. They realized their _____ of spiritual things.
 - b. Questions open the door for _____.
 - c. Ask the Lord _____ than one another.

B. The _____ Illustrated

1. Intriguing use of the words “A Little _____”
 - a. Used seven times
 - b. Suggestive _____
 - (1). _____ – within a short time Jesus would be taken from them, crucified, and _____.
 - (2). _____ – “in me ye might have peace”, “in the world ye shall have _____” (v. 33)
 - (3). _____ – “I have overcome the _____.”
2. The _____ – the woman in travail
 - a. Jesus used the definite article – referring to _____
 - b. Travail involves a _____ of pain, sorrow, and anguish.
 - c. The result is _____, life, and joy!
 - d. _____ is used in the Old Testament (7 times in Isaiah, once in Hosea and Micah) and is a _____ of deliverance and life coming through suffering and _____
 - e. It is used in the New Testament in Mark 13:8 and Romans 8:22. Travail leads to _____ life.
 - f. The Church will _____ pain and sorrow.
 - (1). Philippians 1:29; 3:10
 - (2). Hebrews 12:2
3. The _____ of prayer is linked to abiding in Christ and suffering for Christ.