

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

Groups Sermon Guide

John 16:7–11

- Remember that groups are a place to practice what is preached.
- Pray together for the Holy Spirit to open your eyes to behold wonderful things (Ps. 119:18) as your group meets with the Lord.
- Ask a group member to read **John 16:7–11** out loud.

God has won. His Spirit will, through the Church's life, teaching, and preaching, show the Church and the listening world that, in the deepest senses, the world is wrong—wrong about what is wrong, wrong about what is right, and wrong about who won.

- Jesus says that it is to our advantage that He goes away for a time because He will send the Holy Spirit. Can you share how this is an advantage to believers? What other passages of Scripture encourage you in this?
- Jesus calls the Spirit “the Helper.” What does this mean to you personally? How has the Spirit helped, consoled, or directed you? How do you best listen to Him?
- Where do you need the Helper to help, console, or direct you right now? Pray together as a group that He would empower and lead you in these ways.

Weekly Questions for One Another

- What is God saying to you in this Word, in the sermon, and in your walk with Him this week?
- What is God telling you to do? How can we as a Group be part of giving you courage to obey?
- How can we pray for you? For your neighbors?

For more ideas and guidance, see our Groups resources, [Keeping Community Amid the Pandemic](#) and [Continuing Community During the Pandemic](#), as well as our [Fall 2020 Rhythms Guide](#) and [video on the realities of groups during COVID-19](#).