

WHO IS OUR TEACHER? 6

The final part of this resource is to look at the Holy Spirit being the Teacher of the church. Jesus told His disciples that He must go and that He would send the Holy Spirit, who would lead them into all truth. He told them it was for their benefit, He go, otherwise the Holy Spirit won't be able to come and fulfill His mandate.

John 16:7 But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

It was to the advantage of the disciples if Jesus went.

- Q. Why were the disciples so down cast, when Jesus said it was to their advantage that He go and the Holy Spirit would come?
- Q. How much of an advantage do we see it today that the Holy Spirit is here to be our Teacher and how much of this is an actual reality in our lives?

Let's have a look at 2 other passages of scripture that speak of the Holy Spirit being our spiritual Teacher and Helper.

John 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

We can see from this that the Helper, the Spirit is commissioned to teach us all things and to bring to our remembrance all that Jesus said? We know from other passages that Jesus didn't teach His disciples all things, because He knew they weren't ready for this, but He was fully aware that the Spirit would accomplish this.

John 16:12-15 "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.

We can see from John 16 that the Holy Spirit will guide us into all the truth and disclose to us what is of the Father.

- Q. What is our experience of being guided into all the truth by the Spirit?
- Q. What is our experience of having the Holy Spirit disclose what is to come?

Conclusion

In bringing this resource to a conclusion, we can see how essential it us for the Holy Spirit to be the Teacher of the church. Yes, man has a role, but man's role is secondary to the Holy Spirit. I want to leave us with this passage of truth and pray it encourages you to seek this prophetic promise for us all.

Hebrews 8:8-13 For finding fault with them, He says, "Behold, days are coming, says the Lord, When I will

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effect a new covenant With the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; Not like the covenant which I made with their fathers On the day when I took them by the hand To lead them out of the land of Egypt; For they did not continue in My covenant, And I did not care for them, says the Lord . "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel After those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws into their minds, And I will write them on their hearts. And I will be their God, And they shall be My people."

"And they shall not teach everyone his fellow citizen, And everyone his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' For all will know Me, From the least to the greatest of them."

"For I will be merciful to their iniquities, And I will remember their sins no more." When He said, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear.