

The **Good News** that John Wrote

***...that you may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God, and that believing you
may have life in his name.***

John 20.31

Life in the Spirit

Objectives of the Class

- To behold in our hearts the glory of Christ
- To participate more deeply in life in the Spirit
- To become more conformed to His image
- To pray for and encourage one another

Prayer Before Reading Scripture

Shine within our hearts, loving Master, the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our minds that we may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in us also reverence for Your blessed commandments, so that having conquered all sinful desires, we may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing to You. For You, Christ our God, are the light of our souls and bodies, and to You we give glory together with Your Father who is without beginning and Your all holy, good, and life giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

John 16.16-33

Outline of John 13-17

1. The Last Discourse (13.1-17.26)
 1. Making God Known (13.1-38)
 2. Departure (14.1-31)
 3. To Abide, to Love, and to Be Hated (15.1-16.3)
 4. Departure (16.4-33)
 5. Making God Known: Jesus' Final Prayer (17.1-26)

Outline of John 16

1. Departure (16.4-33)

1. The Departure of Jesus (4-6)
2. The Role of the Paraclete (7-15)
3. The Departure of Jesus (16-20)
4. Now and Afterward (21-24)
5. The Departure of Jesus (25-33)

Outline of John 16.16-33

1. The Departure of Jesus (16-20)
2. Now and Afterward (21-24)
3. The Departure of Jesus (25-33)

John 16.16

“In a little while you will not see me any more, and then a little while later you will see me.”

John 16.17

Some of his disciples asked among themselves, “What does this mean? He tells us that in a little while we will not see him, and then a little while later we will see him; and he also says, ‘It is because I am going to the Father.’

John 16.18

What does this ‘a little while’ mean? We don’t know what he is talking about!”

John 16.19

Jesus knew that they wanted to question him, so he said to them, “I said, ‘In a little while you will not see me, and then a little while later you will see me.’ Is this what you are asking about among yourselves?”

John 16.20

I am telling you the truth: you will cry and weep, but the world will be glad; you will be sad, but your sadness will turn into gladness.

Outline of John 16.16-33

1. The Departure of Jesus (16-20)
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John 16.21

When a woman is about to give birth, she is sad because her hour of suffering has come; but when the baby is born, she forgets her suffering, because she is happy that a baby has been born into the world.

John 16.22

That is how it is with you: now you are sad, but I will see you again, and your hearts will be filled with gladness, the kind of gladness that no one can take away from you.

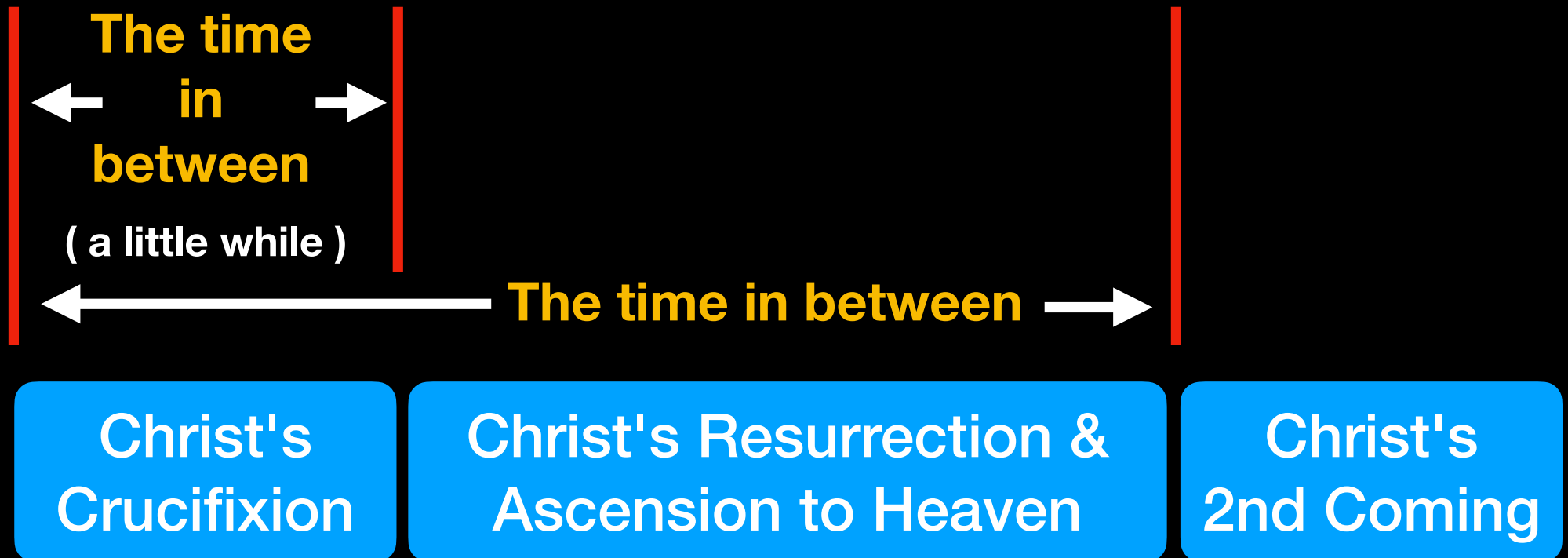
John 16.23

“When that day comes, you will not ask me for anything. I am telling you the truth: the Father will give you whatever you ask of him in my name.

The Double Meaning of the "In Between" Time (the time between "now" and "that day")

now

in that day



John 16.24

Until now you have not asked for anything in my name; ask and you will receive, so that your happiness may be complete.

Outline of John 16.16-33

1. The Departure of Jesus (16-20)
2. Now and Afterward (21-24)
3. The Departure of Jesus (25-33)

John 16.25

“I have used figures of speech to tell you these things. But the time will come when I will not use figures of speech, but will speak to you plainly about the Father.

John 16.26-27

When that day comes, you will ask him in my name; and I do not say that I will ask him on your behalf, for the Father himself loves you. He loves you because you love me and have believed that I came from God.

John 16.28

I did come from the Father,
and I came into the world; and
now I am leaving the world
and going to the Father.”

John 16.29

Then his disciples said to him,
“Now you are speaking plainly,
without using figures of
speech.

John 16.30

We know now that you know everything; you do not need to have someone ask you questions. This makes us believe that you came from God.”

John 16.31-32

Jesus answered them, “Do you believe now? The time is coming, and is already here, when all of you will be scattered, each of you to your own home, and I will be left all alone. But I am not really alone, because the Father is with me.

John 16.31-33

I have told you this so that you will have peace by being united to me. The world will make you suffer. But be brave! I have defeated the world!”



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