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Small Group Bible Study Discussion

John 15:18 – 16:15

- 1. Jesus tells His disciples that following Him will bring opposition because they no longer belong to the world.**
In what subtle or obvious ways have you felt pressure to soften, hide, or compromise your faith in order to fit in?
- 2. The sermon describes opposition as existing on a spectrum—from loss of influence to real persecution.**
Where do you think Christians in our cultural moment are most likely to feel this tension, and how should that shape our response?
- 3. Jesus warns His disciples ahead of time so they will not fall away when hardship comes.**
How does realistic preparation—rather than surprise—help sustain long-term faithfulness?
- 4. Jesus promises the Holy Spirit as an Advocate who speaks truth and gives courage.**
What does relying on the Spirit look like in moments when faith feels costly or confusing?
- 5. The sermon emphasizes that the Spirit within us is an advantage, not a downgrade, from Jesus being physically present.**
Where do you struggle to trust that God is actively present and working in your life right now?
- 6. Believers are called to remain a faithful, non-anxious presence in a resistant culture.**
What is one practical way you can live with clarity, humility, and courage as a witness to Jesus this week?