

The World and the Holy Spirit

John 15:18-16:15 have two important themes

The opposition of the world against God and His people
The ministry of the Holy Spirit

We as followers of Jesus will face opposition in this world

How do we overcome it?

By the presence and power of the Holy Spirit

The world is the society that is apart from God and opposes God – 1 John 2:15-17 (ESV)

The World and Jesus' Followers

The world's view of **Jesus and Followers**

John 15:18-19 (ESV)

John 15:20 (ESV)

John 16:2 (ESV)

Why does the world view us like that?

They hated and persecuted Jesus

We are identified with Jesus

We don't **Belong** to the world – Hebrews 3:1 (NLT)

The world' system operates on the basis of conformity

God's system works on the basis of transformation to newness

Romans 12:2 (ESV)

2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)

The world is spiritually ignorant and blind – John 15:21 & 16:3 (ESV)

The world will not be honest about what is wrong – John 15:22-24 & 16:1 (ESV)

The World and the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit **Bears Witness** about Jesus – John 15:26-27 (ESV)

The Holy Spirit **Convicts** the world – John 16:5-11 (ESV)

Of Sin

Of righteousness

Of Judgment

The Holy Spirit **Guides** the followers of Jesus into all truth – John 16:12-13 (ESV)

The Holy Spirit **Glorifies** Jesus – John 16:14-15 (ESV)

The Holy Spirit does these things by:

Speaking with the authority of God

Speaking all the things of God

The world hated and persecuted Jesus

The world hates and persecutes the followers of Jesus

The Holy Spirit:

Empowers the followers of Jesus

Confronts and convicts the world

We as followers of Jesus are to conform ourselves to the will of the Father

Are you letting the Holy Spirit conform, empower, and lead you?