

The Gospel According to John

20:31 ... these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

John 16

I. Jesus predicts the persecution of His disciples (vs 1-4)

II. Jesus predicts the coming of the Holy Spirit (vs 5-15)

III. Jesus predicts His death and resurrection (vs 16-22)

IV. Jesus predicts the disciples' direct access to the Father (vs 23-28)

V. Jesus predicts the disciples' abandonment of Him (vs 29-33)

John 16:16

¹⁶ "A little while, and you will no longer see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me."

John 7:33–34; 12:32–35; 13:31–33; 14:18–19

John 16:17–18

¹⁷ Some of His disciples then said to one another, "What is this He is telling us, 'A little while, and you will not see Me; and again a little while, and you will see Me'; and, 'because I go to the Father'?" ¹⁸ So they were saying, "What is this that He says, 'A little while'? We do not know what He is talking about."

Luke 9:44–45

John 16:19

¹⁹ Jesus knew that they were wishing to question Him, and He said to them, "Are you deliberating together about this, that I said, 'A little while, and you will not see Me, and again a little while, and you will see Me'?"

John 16:20

²⁰ "Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will cry and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy."

Matthew 27:27–31, 39–44

Luke 24:36–43

John 16:21

²¹ "Whenever a woman is in labor she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the suffering because of the joy that a child has been born into the world."

John 16:22

²² "Therefore you too have sorrow now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you."

1 Peter 1:6–9; Acts 5:41; 16:22–25