

John 14:26

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Think about [John 14:26-28](#).

(Jesus said to his apostles)"... The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, ... Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' ..."

- Why would the apostles's hearts be troubled?
- What did Jesus promise to give his people to relieve their troubled hearts after he left?
- How could Jesus give his people his peace when he had gone away?
- How does Jesus describe the peace he left his people?
- How does Jesus describe the peace he does NOT give?
Consider [Luke 12:51-52](#). (Jesus said) *"Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three."*
- What can we do to experience the peace Jesus gives?
Consider [Romans 8:5-6](#). *For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.*
- With whom are believers in Jesus at peace? Why?
Consider [Romans 5:1](#). *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

The meaning of this word "*justified*" is: the state of a human whom God has declared to be in a right relationship with God.

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Think about [John 14:28](#).

(Jesus said to his apostles) "You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I."

- Why did Jesus say to his people that they should rejoice because he was going away? (See John 14:28 quoted above.)

Also consider [John 16:16-24](#). (Jesus said to his students) *"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me. ... Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ... You have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ... Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ... Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."*

Think about [John 14:28-29](#).

(Jesus said to his apostles) *"You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' ... And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe."*

- Why did Jesus foretell his going away and coming back?
- Why does Jesus care if you believe him?

Consider [John 3:16-18](#). (Jesus said) *"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but so that the world might be saved through Him. The one who believes in Him is not judged; the one who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God."*

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Think about [John 14:30-31](#).

(Jesus said to his apostles) *"I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father."*

The meaning of this phrase "no claim on me" is: nothing in me, no power over me.

- Who is the ruler of this world?

Consider [Luke 4:5-7](#). *And the devil took him (Jesus) up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours."*

- Why does the ruler of this world have no claim on Jesus the Christ?

Consider [John 8:23](#). *He (Jesus) said to them, (the Jews in the temple) "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world."*

- Who did have a claim on Jesus? (See John 14:30-31 quoted above.)
- Why did Jesus do what his Father had commanded him? (See John 14:30-31 quoted above.)