

John 15:18-20 (NLT)

[18] “If the world hates you, remember that it hated me first. [19] The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you. [20] Do you remember what I told you? ‘A slave is not greater than the master.’

John 15:20-23 (NLT)

Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. And if they had listened to me, they would listen to you. [21] They will do all this to you because of me, for they have rejected the One who sent me. [22] They would not be guilty if I had not come and spoken to them. But now they have no excuse for their sin. [23] Anyone who hates me also hates my Father.

John 16:1-3 (NLT)

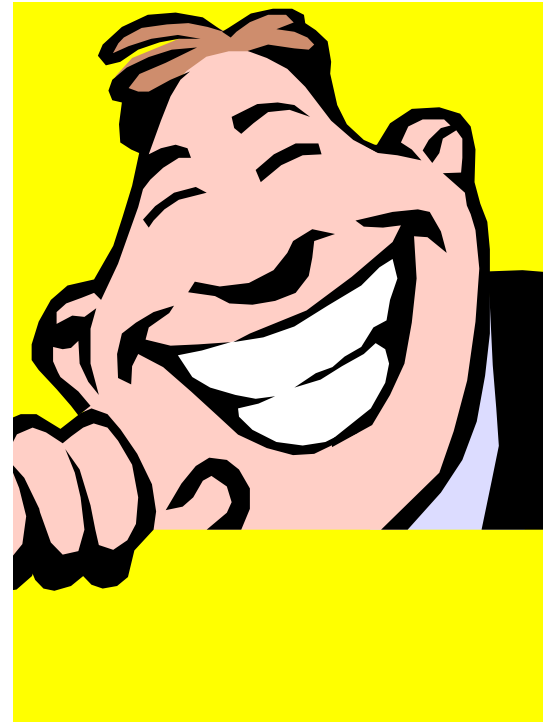
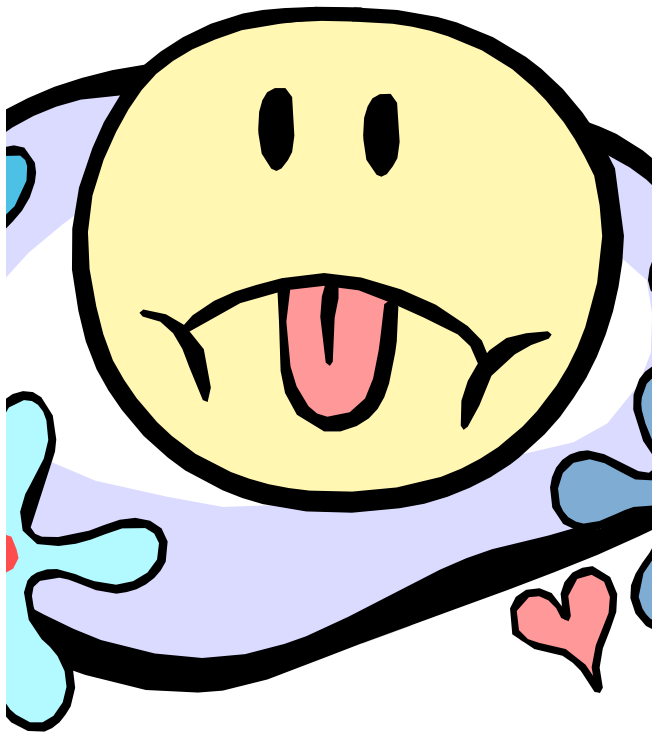
[1] “I have told you these things so that you won’t abandon your faith. [2] For you will be expelled from the synagogues, and the time is coming when those who kill you will think they are doing a holy service for God. [3] This is because they have never known the Father or me.

Spiritual Culture Shock?

John 15:18-16:15









**One of these things is
not like the others**

**One of these things
DOES NOT BELONG**

→ CULTURE SHOCK is a
Feeling of NOT BELONGING
your head & heart telling you I
don't belong here

Basic Truth...

- You will be **PERSECUTED**
- **KEEP ON GOING** Anyway
- I will **SEND** the Holy Spirit

1 Peter 2:11-12 (NIV)

Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. [12] Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

Galatians 6:9-10 (NIV)

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. [10] Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

The Holy Spirit is the...

- **Counselor** = comforter, helper, advocate
- **Spirit of Truth** = helps us understand, gives wisdom

The Holy Spirit Touches Our...

- **Hearts** - our emotions and feelings
- **Minds** - our thoughts and decisions

(D.A. Carson)

Ephesians 4:30 (NIV)

And do not GRIEVE the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

Ephesians 4:31-32 (NIV)

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. [32] Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Things that GRIEVE the Holy Spirit

- Unwholesome Talk
- Anger and Bitterness
- Brawling and Slander
- every form of Malice

Things that PLEASE the Holy Spirit

- talk to **BUILDS** others up
- talk **BENEFITS** the listeners
- showing **KINDNESS**
- showing **COMPASSION**
- **FORGIVING** others

Luke 10:27 (ESV)

...You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.