

## **GROWTH GROUP STUDY GUIDE**

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**For the week of March 2, 2008**

**Getting started:** When is a time that, as a Christian, you really feel out of place in this world?

**Open your Bible to John 15:18-16:4**

- John speaks of “the world” 105 times in his writings. What does he usually understand ‘the world’ to be?
- How do you see the hatred of the world for Jesus? For Jesus’ disciples, historically or presently?
- What are different ways Christians react to the world’s hatred?
- In vv.26-27, both the Spirit and Jesus’ disciples are sent to testify about Jesus. What do they—we—say?
- How does the Holy Spirit help us with this assignment? How have you experienced his help?
- Why would all this lead Jesus to warn his disciples about going astray (16:1-4)? From your observation, how does this happen?



**Please pray for...**

- Chaplain Jeff Granger (USAF) who is deployed this week to Iraq, leaving Karen and two girls at home
- The spiritual growth and unity of our junior and senior high kids

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Christians must expect the \_\_\_\_\_ (15:18-25)

- The world = \_\_\_\_\_
- The world \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus (vv.18-21)
- Since the world \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus it will inevitably hate \_\_\_\_\_
- In hating Jesus the world is \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.22-24)
- The world's hate for Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ (v.25; 1 Cor. 1:18-25)

Stand \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus (15:26-16:4)

- Jesus responds to the world's senseless hatred by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (vv.26-27)
- The greatest danger we face in this hateful world is not \_\_\_\_\_  
but \_\_\_\_\_ (16:1-4; 1 John 4:4)