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The Holy Spirit is at work applying Divine Authority

### 2. THERE IS AN ADVANTAGE TO JESUS' DEPARTURE

- a. The Holy Spirit will Convict the World of Sin, Righteousness, and Judgment (John 16:4b-11)
  - i. Of sin – because of unbelief
  - ii. Of righteousness – because the standard of righteousness would soon depart
  - iii. Of judgment – because the one who first rebelled against divine authority will be judged
- b. The Holy Spirit will Guide into All Truth (v. 13-15)
  - i. He does not Speak in His own authority
  - ii. He shares what He hears and declares things to come
  - iii. He glorifies Jesus

### 3. THERE IS A PRESENCE DURING JESUS' MINISTRY

- a. He Appeared at Jesus' Baptism, Evidencing Jesus' Diety (Matthew 3:16)
- b. He Led Jesus in the Wilderness Experience (Matthew 4)

- c. He Empowered Jesus' Ministry (Acts 10:37-38)
- d. He Enabled Jesus to Offer Himself without Blemish to the Father (Hebrews 9:14)
- e. He Participated in Resurrecting Jesus from the Dead (Romans 8:11)

### 4. THERE IS AN ETERNAL PLAN OF GOD DURING TIME

- a. Representing All Truth (Acts 1:8)
- b. Enabling our Spiritual Walk (Galatians 5:16-25, Ephesians 5:18 - 6:9)
- c. Restraining Evil (2 Thessalonians 2:7)

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