

## *Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes*

**Sermon Notes for November 4-5, 2006**

**"The Truth, the Whole Truth And Nothing But the Truth"**

**John 14:25-26**

This weekend as we begin to examine John 14:25-31 we will see how Christ prepared His disciples for His departure by outlining certain benefits.

The first benefit of Christ's departure in respect to His disciples was that the Holy Spirit would be sent to them (John 14:25-26).

This promise that the Spirit would be sent to them in John 14:26 was the second time that Christ promised His disciples that the Spirit would be sent (John 14:16-17).

Jesus, in John 14:26, shared with His disciples that the Holy Spirit, when He came, would perform two different tasks on their behalf.

The Holy Spirit would teach them "all things."

The Spirit would remind them of all the things that He had told them.

The fulfillment of this promised work of the Spirit to bring to the disciples' remembrance of everything that Jesus had shared with them is wonderfully displayed for us in the four Gospels.

Though the help of the Spirit in bringing to remembrance all that Jesus told His disciples was critical in writing the Gospels, it was not enough in respect to writing the epistles.

The disciples would not have been able to write the epistles without the help of the Spirit because they had not understood much of what Jesus had told them when He was with them.

The disciples would not have been able to write the epistles without the help of the Spirit because Jesus had not shared with them all that He needed to share with them when He was with them (John 16:12-13).

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The promised work of the Spirit to teach His disciples "all things" is wonderfully displayed for us in the New Testament epistles.

The same Spirit who gave the Scriptures under divine inspiration to the apostles is still needed to illuminate that Scripture, or in other words, to lead us into already settled truth.

May God give us the grace not only to view the Scriptures as true and complete but as the Spirit's tool and molding and shaping us into the people that God would have us to be.