# Goodbye and Hello (John 16:16-33)

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Introduction

## Review of 16:5-15

# Sorrow will Turn to Joy (16:16-24)

16 "A little while and you• will not see Me; and again a little while and you• will see Me, because I go to the Father."

17 So some of His disciples said to one another, "What is this that He tells us? 'A little while and you• will see Me; and again a little while and you• do not see Me'; and, 'I go to the Father'?"

18 So they said, "What is this that He says, 'A little while'? We do not understand what He is saying."

19 So Jesus knew they wanted to ask Him, so He said to them, "Are you• inquiring with one another about this that I said, 'A little while and you• do not see Me, and again a little while and you• will see Me'?

20 "Amen, amen, I tell you•, you• will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice and you• will be grieved, but your• grief will become joy.

- 21 "When a woman is in labor she has grief because her hour has come. But when she has given birth to a child, she no longer remembers the anguish, because of the joy that a person has been born into the world.
- 22 "Therefore you• also have grief now. But I will see you• again; then your• heart will rejoice and no one will take your• joy from you•.
- 23 "And on that day you• will ask Me nothing. Amen, amen, I tell you•, whatever you• ask the Father in My name, He will give you•.
- 24 "Until now you• have asked for nothing in My name. Ask• and you• will receive, that your• joy may be fulfilled."

# Sorrow will Turn to Joy, because Christ Overcame the World (16:16-24)

<sup>25</sup> "These *things* I have spoken to you• in figures *of speech*. But an hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you• in figures *of speech*, but I will tell you• openly about the Father.

<sup>26</sup> "On that day you• will ask in My name, yet I am not telling you• that I will ask the Father on your• behalf.

<sup>27</sup> "For the Father Himself loves you•, because you• have loved Me, and you• have believed that I came forth from God.

<sup>28</sup> "I did come forth from the Father and I have come into the world. Again, I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

<sup>29</sup> His disciples told Him, "See, now You are speaking openly, and are not speaking with any figure *of speech*.

 $_{30}$  "Now we know that You know everything and You have no need that anyone question You. By this we believe that You came forth from God."

31 Jesus answered them, "Do you• now believe?

"See, an hour is coming, and has now come, that you• will be scattered— each to his own home, and you• will leave Me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me.

33 "I have told you• these *things*, so in Me you• may have peace. In the world you• have anguish. But be• courageous. I have overcome the world."

## Conclusion