

Sadness and Gladness

(S. John 16:16–24)

Jesus said, “In a little while you will not see me any more, and then a little while later you will see me.” Some of his disciples asked among themselves, “What does this



mean? He tells us that in a little while we will not see him, and then a little while later we will see him; and he also says, ‘It is because I am going to the Father.’ What does this ‘a little while’ mean? We don’t know what he is talking about!”

Jesus knew that they wanted to question him, so he said to them, “I said, ‘In a little while you will not see me, and then a little while later you will see me.’ Is this what you are asking about among yourselves? I am telling you the truth: you will cry and weep, but the world will be glad; you will be sad, but your sadness will turn into gladness. When a woman is about to give birth, she is sad because her hour of suffering has come; but when the baby is born, she forgets her suffering, because she is happy that a baby has been born into the world.

That is how it is with you: now you are sad, but I will see you again, and your hearts will be filled with gladness, the kind of gladness that no one can take away from you. “When that day comes, you will not ask me for anything.

I am telling you the truth: the Father will give you

whatever you ask of him in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name; ask and you will receive, so that your happiness may be complete.



This chapter takes place during the Last Supper.
Where was Jesus? (Hint: Which city did he
enter on Palm Sunday?)

THINK ABOUT...



Who is in this passage? _____

When does this take place? _____

Where does this take place? _____

What is happening? _____



THINK ABOUT...



What are the important (key) words, and what do they mean? _____

What does this passage teach us about Jesus? _____

What does this passage teach us about people?



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A T W J W P C O M P L E T E N L F N
Y N L Q B G Q G K V S C G W I U A T
G X G O D M U S L Y D O W A Y V T R
O L L N I O E T U A B I B L E W H U
I A Y B S R S J B F D X Q Y Y G E T
N T R X C W T G C Z F N K B A O R H
G E J Q I C I I J W H E E E Q S F U
B R N B P P O V O W O E R S H P K D
T D K L L E N E H E E R A I S E E D
D X M J E S U S N E X S L R N L F A
B D K H S T J B I P V S K D T G F Y
H W C U B M P S A D N E S S E W B C

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

ASK
BIBLE
COMPLETE
DISCIPLES
FATHER
GIVE
GLADNESS

GOD
GOING
GOSPEL
HEART
JESUS
JOHN
LATER

QUESTION
SADNESS
SUFFERING
TRUTH
WEEP
WORLD