# PERSECUTION THROUGH THE WORLD'S IGNORANCE

## JOHN 15:21-16:4

1. **THE WORLD HATES REGENERATE BELIEVERS BECAUSE OF THEIR IGNORANCE OF GOD THE FATHER (15:21-25)**
   1. The World Is Not Acquainted With God In Any Familiar, Receiving Way (15:21)
   2. The World's Ignorance Of The Father Is Inexcusable (15:22-25)   
      1. Because Of The Words Christ Spoke (15:22)
      2. Because Christ Himself Was The Very Explanation Of The Father (15:23)
      3. Because Of The Supernatural, Confirmatory Verification That Followed The Words (15:24-25)  
         1. Unique Works Never Before Done On The Scale That Christ Did In Such An Unprecedented Way (15:24)
         2. Unique Works That Contradict Man's Dead Religion (15:25)
2. **THE LORD TRANSITIONS FROM AN EXPLANATION OF THE CAUSE OF THE HATRED TO THE ISSUE OF CONTINUING TO TESTIFY IN SPITE OF IT (15:26-27)**
   1. The Holy Spirit Himself Would Testify Through Them (15:26)
   2. They Would Bear Witness Because Of Their Unique Position With Him (15:27)
3. **THE LORD STATES THE REASON HE HAS PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION (16:1-4)**
   1. That They Should Not Be "Scandalized" By Such Rough Treatment (16:1)
   2. That They Be Forewarned Of The Extremity Of The Situation (16:2)