

Sermon Overview

March 17, 2024

Title: Hatred Response

Passage: John 15:18-16:15

Introduction

Series Purpose: What we _____ about _____ is still a matter of _____ and _____.

Question: How should we _____ when they _____ us because of Jesus?

Main Point: If their _____ is not about us but all about Jesus, then our _____ should not be about us but all about Jesus.

Good Hatred Response

Question 1: _____ do they _____ us?

Question 2: What will their hatred _____ _____?

Question 3: How should we _____ when they hate us?

Conclusion

Sermon Based Small Group Questions

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1. Read John 15:18-16:15 as a group. What stands out to you? What questions does it raise? How does it challenge you?
2. Think of a time when someone treated you poorly because of someone or something else. What happened? How did you respond?
3. How can we tell the difference between being hated because of Jesus and hated because of us?
4. If someone asked you the difference between what drives the fallen world and what drives Christ's kingdom, what would you tell them?
5. "They always come after what you love". If you were to experience persecution because of your relationship with Jesus, what would be the thing you would be most afraid they would "come after"?
6. Jesus promised that in the midst of persecution the Holy Spirit will help us to respond as Jesus did. What are some practical things we can do now to increase our reliance on and connection with the Holy Spirit?
7. In your own words, what does it mean to be a good Psalm 69:4 Christ-follower?
8. Spend some time praying for each other and for our persecuted brothers and sisters in the world.