

CrossWalk **notes**

Count on It

Count on Love, Count on Hate

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How can I have joy even when some people hate me?

⁹ “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. **John 15:9-11, NIV**

Jesus’ joy came from the certainty of being loved by the _____. He _____ **in the Father’s love.**

¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other. **John 15:12-17, NIV**

We can count on Jesus’ love that led him to give his _____.
Jesus’ love leads to a _____ love in us.

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you.

²⁰ Remember what I told you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also. ²¹ They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the one who sent me. ²² If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. ²³ Whoever hates me hates my Father as well. ²⁴ If I had not done among them the works no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin. As it is, they have seen, and yet they have hated both me and my Father. ²⁵ But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: ‘They hated me without reason.’ **John 15:18-25, NIV**

Count on _____ from people who hate God.(and good)

Count on comfort in the _____ and _____ of Jesus.

²⁶ “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. ²⁷ And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning. **John 15:26-27, NIV**

Count on the power of the Holy Spirit testifying both

_____ you and _____ you.

MEMORY VERSE

¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. **John 15:13, NIV**

My next step: Jesus showed his love by giving his life on the cross. We remain in his love as we listen to him and follow where the Holy Spirit leads.

What’s your next step?

Mark it on your connection card.