

Strength to Endure

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Text: John 15:18-21, 26-16:2, 12-13

The Reality of Opposition

- Opposition is _____.
- Jesus clarifies opposition's _____.
- Jesus exposes opposition's _____.
- Jesus ensures us that opposition is _____.

The Divine Resource for Endurance

- the Paraclete is the _____
for enduring opposition.
- The Spirit _____ along with us.
- The Spirit also _____.
- The Spirit _____ us as disciples.

Life Enrichment

What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- How would you characterize the Palm Sunday mindset? How did this mindset distract the disciples from what Christ was about to accomplish on the cross?
- How does the Palm Sunday mindset fall short as motivation for facing the world's opposition to our faith?
- What types of opposition are American Christians beginning to experience? What types of opposition have you faced recently?
- Why does the world oppose Christians?
- How has the opposition you have faced affected your faith?
- How is it possible for us to thrive under the world's opposition?
- What does God provide every believer to help us withstand the world's opposition?
- When facing opposition, which of the *Paraclete's* activities have helped you most? What are you currently doing to learn to rely on His help and encouragement in the face of opposition?