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John 14:16-18

Have you ever wished there were some kind of emergency telephone that rang in heaven, allowing you to access God anytime you wanted? Well, in a way there is. We all face situations that cause us to cry out to God for help. And He has given us a Helper for all circumstances.

Even the disciples, who received Jesus' personal teaching, could not live successfully without divine aid. That is why the Lord insisted they wait in Jerusalem for the Holy Spirit to come before beginning to share their faith. Jesus told them, "It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you" (John 16:7).

While Jesus was living on the earth, He couldn't simultaneously be with everyone who needed Him. Now, however, God's help is readily available through the Holy Spirit, who indwells all believers and is constantly present with each one.

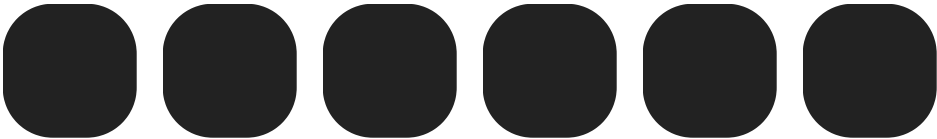
Thanks to the Spirit, every Christian can become the person God designed him or her to be. Through the Helper's knowledge and power, we can be devoted Christ-followers, even in a corrupt culture. The Spirit's work includes opening our minds to God's truth, providing supernatural energy when we are weary, and comforting us during heartache.

God loves people so much that He provided an ever-present Helper to all who place their faith in Jesus Christ. When we are in trouble or in need, we can call upon the Holy Spirit and instantly connect to the power of our heavenly Father.

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