“Privilege and Advantage for What Is Next”

**John 16:1-6** Sunday June 25, 2023 Pastor Timothy Atkins

## INTRODUCTION READ John 16:1-15

History of the Life of Jesus . . . presents Him as The Son of God [1],

 and the Savior of the World [4]

In this Upper Room discourse given to us here in the Gospel of John the words of the Lord Jesus for His own disciples are filled with promises, blessings, and prophecies . . .

Again Prophecy by the Lord Jesus that would be fulfilled & now is fulfilled . . .

An hour is coming . . . when their hour comes . . . I am going . . . I will send . . .

1. Such Privilege in Having the Words of Jesus At This Time 16:1-6

 Coming Personal Persecution for the Disciples of Jesus

The Importance and Place of the Words of Jesus in the Lives of His Disciples

1. Such Privilege Jesus Has Spoken While With Them 16:1

“These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from stumbling.”

 I HAVE SPOKEN cf. 14:25; 15:11 cf. 6:61

1. Such Privilege Jesus Tells What Will Happen 16:2-3

“They will make you outcasts from the synagogue, but an hour is coming”

 COMING religious people killing disciples of Jesus

 “ . . . think that he is offering service to God.”

 Cf. John 9:22; 12:42-43

 Cf. Acts 9 the conversion of Saul cf. 22:3-5; 26:8-10

“These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me.”

 Future Active Indicative

1. Such Privilege Jesus Teaches Them That He Is Lord 16:4

“But these things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes”

 WHEN “ . . . you may remember that I told you of them.

 “ . . . because I was with you.” Cf. 13:19; 14:29

1. Such Privilege Jesus Knows All That Is Happening 16:5-6

“But now I am going to Him who sent Me . . .” NOW cf. 13:33; 14:28

“But because I have said these things to you,

 sorrow has filled your heart.” Cf. 14:1, 27

CONCLUSION You are privileged, and You have advantage . . .

* The Importance and place of the words of Jesus in the lives of His disciple
* Thank you Jesus for teaching me and telling me what I need to know by your words for me in this time of my life
* Jesus knows all about what is happening and what is going to be so listen to Him, believe Him, trust Him, and obey Him
* Trust in His plans and His purposes for what he has planned for you as His disciple in the presence of those persecuting you