



SERMON OUTLINE – MAY 20, 2018

Holy Spirit: Witness for the Prosecution

(John 16:5-11)

INTRODUCTION: *Oh those TV courtroom dramas:
the importance of a conviction . . .*

- I. CONVICTION OF SIN** (John 16:5-9)
 - A. Conviction of sin leads to getting right with God (salvation)
 - B. An example: Peter’s Pentecost sermon (Acts 2:37-42)
 - C. Resistance to this conviction leads to a hardening of heart & destruction (John 8:24)

- II. CONVICTION OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** (John 16:10)
 - A. Showing us what true righteousness is: not our “goodness” (Romans 3:23)
 - B. Showing us where true righteousness is to be found: in Jesus (Romans 3:22)
 - + *The chief of police who paid the traffic ticket*

- III. CONVICTION OF JUDGEMENT** (John 12:31-32)
 - A. The devil has been judged at the cross (John 12:31-32)
 - B. In the devil’s judgement, the world sees its own judgement (Revelation 20:1-3)
 - + *Jesus’ descent & “harrowing” of Hell*

CONCLUSION: *We are co-witnesses with the Spirit*