Season Change

**Prayer:**

Those dealing with loss of loved ones, 65 years Ann., healing

**Intro:**

The season is changing.

New School Year, Catalyst Flex, Pumpkin Spice Lattes, End of Sabbath month, Pastor Sai is moving to Texas, Starting a Momentum Campaign, 65 Year Anniversary celebration, etc.

Change isn’t easy, but God always works at changing sorrow to joy

We have to walk through it One Step at a Time

God’s plan is for us!

Trust Him

**John 16:16-33**

Vs. 16

Even the explanation can seem confusing

Vs. 17,18

We desire to understand what is ahead of us

Vs. 19,20

Jesus knew His disciples, He knows us

Joy is God’s plan

Our minds should focus on God’s future, not the pain we feel getting there

Vs. 21

Jesus reminds us about His promises

It’s not just the end of pain but New Life!

Vs. 22

Once you “get it” (understand) Nothing can steal your joy

We must return to “seeing”Jesus

Vs. 23,24

we can pray the Father’s will

We pray out of relationship not selfishness or confusion

Consider a kid asking for a snack while his mom is cooking dinner.

Vs. 25-27

Season changes have to happen for us not to stay the same

Jesus is talking about relationship directly with God!

It’s more than an enhanced prayer life!

Vs. 28

Jesus is explaining that he will die and be resurrected

Vs.29,30

The disciples think they “get it”

Even when we think we understand, God is bigger

Keep Listening

Vs. 31

This question almost sounds sarcastic.

Vs. 32

Changes can be difficult

Be of good cheer

Jesus has overcome the world.

He won so We won!

**Conclusion:**

Change is real

Change is hard

We will thrive even in change

Receive God’s joy