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"Lawyer Up!" John 14:16-17 1 John 2:1

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth ..." John 14:16-17

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- → Jesus describes His Spirit as a <u>Paraklete</u> *"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate..."* John 14:16 *"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is, the Spirit of truth...He will bear witness of Me..."* John 15:26
- \rightarrow Jesus is the first **<u>Paraklete</u>**

"My little children, I am writing to you that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1 John 2:1

→ We are all <u>sinners</u>; <u>sin</u> has consequences "We have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 → We will all be required to appear before God's eternal <u>bar of justice</u>.

"God has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all by raising Him from the dead." Acts 17:32

→ The strategy of our heavenly Advocate isn't pleading mercy, it's demanding justice.

→ Because of Jesus' sacrifice and advocacy, I can **stand acquitted** before God.

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.." Romans 8:1

→ My First Advocate speaks to <u>God</u> for me; my Second Advocate speaks to <u>me</u> for me.

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"...in whatever our heart condemns us; for God is greater than our heart..." 1 John 3:20

"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs..." Romans 8:16

→ Because of the Holy Spirit's advocacy, I can have genuine peace.

"Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you..." John 14:27