

WHAT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

This series explores common faith questions.

OPENING QUESTION – use these questions to connect with others in your group

- 1. Talk about unique or funny things you have asked Google!
- 2. If you could ask God a question directly, what would it be?

KEY POINTS – take a minute to review the key points from this weekend's message

- 1. When you start following Jesus, you receive the Holy Spirit.
- 2. The Holy Spirit is personal.
- 3. The Holy Spirit in me is better than Jesus beside me.
- 4. The Holy Spirit guides us in God's direction for our lives.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE: John 14:1, 16; John 16:7, 13; Acts 5:3; Ephesians 4:30; Luke 2:27; Acts 20:22; Matthew 3:16-17; Acts 2:38-39

RESPOND

Talk about a thought, phrase, or moment from this weekend's message that stuck with you. Give a brief reason for why these things stuck with you.

Read John 16:7-8, 13-14 - Read slowly, making a note of words or phrases that stand out to you.

Jesus says many things about the role of the Holy Spirit in this section. List the roles and actions of the Holy Spirit from these verses. Consider reading this section in several versions of the Bible like the NIV, NLT or The Message.

Read Ephesians 1:13-14 – Talk about how confident you are that the Holy Spirit is living in you. In what ways have you experienced the Holy Spirit as an advocate, guide, or counselor in your faith journey?

Answer this question that Ben posed in the message: What would change in your life if you actually saw the Holy spirit as personal as Jesus right next to you?

APPLY

Take time right now and all week to pray this prayer:

God, help me hear Your promptings and act on them. Show me how personal you are.

Write down ways that God answers this prayer for you!

Pray