

Community Group Discussion Guide



Sunday, August 27, 2023

Topic: The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

Scripture: Various

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Triune God who was present and active in the creation of the world, is the Author of Scripture, applies the work of Christ by regenerating dead hearts, empowers believers for gospel mission, and enables us to grow in Christlikeness.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

- What does Scripture teach about the origins of the universe? What was the Spirit's role in creation (Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 40:28)?
- What does it mean that God is Triune (Deuteronomy 6:4)? How do we know that the Holy Spirit is not an impersonal force from God but God Himself (Romans 8:9; Acts 5:3; John 14:15; John 16:7-8, 14-14).
- Provide some examples of personal characteristics of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:10; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:29; Hebrews 9:14; Psalm 139:7; Romans 8:11).
- How is the Holy Spirit involved in God's *revelation* to humanity (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20; Ezekiel 2; 2 Samuel 23:2; 1 John 2:27; 1 Corinthians 2:14; John 14:25)?
- How does the Spirit convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:7-11)?
- What is the Holy Spirit's role in God's work of salvation (Titus 3:5; John 3:5-6)? How does the Holy Spirit give us confidence in our future inheritance (Ephesians 1:13, 4:30; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; 2 Timothy 1:13-14)?
- How does the presence of the Spirit impact the daily life of believers (Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Peter 1:1-2; Colossians 2:12-13)?
- What was the Spirit's role in the life of God's people in the Old Testament, and how did it change after Christ's ascension?
- What are spiritual gifts, and what are they for (1 Corinthians 12:11)?
- How does the Spirit involve us in the Great Commission (Luke 24:44-49; Acts 1:8)?