

5. Read Acts 1:3-9. Some have said, “It is better for us to have the Holy Spirit in us than to have Jesus next to us.” What do you think that really means? Do you agree with that statement? How do you see the Holy Spirit helping you live the Christian life? Do you think He is a necessary part of living for God? What are some specific ways that He helps you? The Holy Spirit is our “daily guide” for God’s will in our lives. How does He help you know God’s will as you live each day? Why does God not tell us everything we need to know about His plan for us at the point of salvation? How does He use the Holy Spirit to help us learn as we go?

6. What personal needs has the Holy Spirit exposed during this study? How can we pray with you about those needs? Consider memorizing Romans 8:5.



Sunday, September 22, 2024

A Strong Foundation
5. God the Holy Spirit
John 14:16-17, Acts 2:1-4

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the God-head, who came into the world to reveal and glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to men. He convicts and draws sinners to Christ, imparts new life to them, continually indwells them from the moment of spiritual birth, and seals them until the Day of Redemption. His fullness, power and control are appropriated in the Believer’s life and faith.

Ten Truths About the Holy Spirit:

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Study Guide

For the week of September 22, 2024

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. Read John 14:16–17, 26; 16:5–15. Who is the Holy Spirit? Why do you think people tend to erase or neglect the Holy Spirit? What reasons did Jesus give for saying it would be better to send the Holy Spirit in His place? What questions do you have about the Holy Spirit?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 2:6–16. According to this passage, what is the Spirit's role? How essential is the Holy Spirit for Christian living? How have you experienced the Holy Spirit's activity in your life, even if you didn't know at the time that it was him? Would you like to experience more of God through his Holy Spirit? Why or why not?

3. Read Romans 8:1-11. What does Paul contrast with the Holy Spirit in this passage? How are these two things at odds in the lives of born-again Christians? How can someone know if they are being led by God's Spirit or not? Have you personally experienced any of these things Paul is describing in this passage?

4. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14–24. What does it mean to “quench the Spirit”? Why should believers care about the Holy Spirit's will, desires, or feelings? What are the consequences of grieving or refusing to follow the Holy Spirit? Is there any area of your life right now where you need the Holy Spirit to work?