

Who Is The Holy Spirit?

Person



Talk It Over

Message Summary

The Holy Spirit is not an impersonal force but God's personal presence within every believer. He teaches, guides, and speaks. As we recognize His voice and follow His promptings, we experience a closer relationship with God.

Key Scriptures

John 14:16–17 (NIV)

I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth... You know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

John 14:26 (NIV)

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 16:13 (NIV)

When he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.

Start Talking

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- How many different voices could you hear and immediately recognize, even if you couldn't see who was speaking? What makes it so recognizable?
- Watch this week's Sermon Refresh: [Here](#) (Available Monday's)

Start Thinking

Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Please read the Key Scriptures on the left.
- What things stuck out to you about who the Holy Spirit is and what He does?

Start Sharing

Choose a question(s) to create openness.

- Why do you think Jesus described the Holy Spirit as a person who helps, teaches, and guides us?
- What changes when we view the Holy Spirit as someone to know rather than a power to use?
- Why might God choose to guide us through personal promptings instead of always giving us obvious instructions?
- What distractions, fears, or assumptions can make it difficult to recognize the Holy Spirit's voice?

Start Praying

Holy Spirit, help us know You personally, recognize Your voice, and courageously obey Your promptings. Show us what may depend upon our willingness to listen. Amen.

Start Doing

This week, begin each morning with three simple steps:

- **Ask:** "Holy Spirit, what are You saying to me today?"
- **Test:** Compare the prompting with Scripture and the character of Jesus.
- **Act:** Obey one prompting without delaying.