

Who Is The Holy Spirit?

Presence



Talk It Over

Message Summary

The Holy Spirit comforts us in pain, guides us through confusion, and convicts us of sin. Instead of numbing, following the crowd, or rationalizing, we can receive His presence and respond to His voice.

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.

Romans 8:26 (NIV)

The Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

John 16:13 (NIV)

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

John 16:8 (NIV)

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment.

Start Talking

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- When you need to drown out distracting noise, what helps you focus?
- 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 do these passages reveal about what the Holy Spirit provides?

Start Sharing

Choose a question(s) to create openness.

- Why do you think God gives us His presence rather than expecting us to face life alone?
- What is the difference between receiving the Spirit's comfort and simply numbing our own pain?
- How can listening to the Holy Spirit help us resist the voice of the crowd?
- Why is conviction evidence of God's love rather than His rejection?
- Where might you be pushing away the comfort, guidance, or conviction the Holy Spirit wants to provide?

Start Praying

Holy Spirit, comfort our pain, guide our decisions, and reveal what needs to change. Soften our hearts and help us recognize and obey Your voice. Amen.

Start Doing

This week, create space to receive the Holy Spirit's presence:

- **Pause:** Quiet the noise and become aware of His presence.
- **Listen:** Ask what He wants to comfort, guide, or correct.
- **Respond:** Act on what He brings to your attention.