

Series: Holy Spirit

October 5, 2025

Message: Ministries of the Holy Spirit (pt. 2)

John 14:26

Two questions to ask the Holy Spirit:

- What is something you want me to remove?

- What is something you want me to receive?

The Holy Spirit's ministry in us:

Discernment – Teaching, instructing, and revealing.
John 14:26; 1 Corinthians 2:10-16; James 1:5; Ephesians 3:16-19;
Romans 8:5-16

The Holy Spirit's teaching and discerning leads to confidence.
2 Timothy 1:7; Ephesians 4:22-24

Prayer

Romans 8:26-28

Witness

Acts 1:8; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 13:34-35; Matthew 5:14-16; Romans 10:13-17

Life Group Study

For week of October 5, 2025

Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>

Share your story

Looking back over what Jeff talked about on Sunday, was there something you'd like to share?

Growing up were you more obedient or rebellious to your parents? Why do you think that is? What does it take for you to trust someone enough to obey?

In our world, obedience has a lot of push-back. Why do you think this is? As an adult, what do you obey? Why?

Connect to God's story

Read John 14:15-21.

What do you learn about the Holy Spirit in this passage?

Jesus tells us that we love him by our obedience to him. Why do you think we can struggle keeping his commands? Are there any commands of Jesus that are difficult for you to obey?

What will Jesus do in response to our obedient love? Why do you think it is important the night before Jesus goes to the cross for him to tell his disciples they will not be orphaned?

Read John 14:22-31.

What additionally do we learn about the Holy Spirit in this passage?

Can you love Jesus and not obey his teaching? Has God made his home with you? If not, have you considered how much disobedience may be a barrier? If God has made his home with you, would you share what that has been like?

Have you experienced the peace Jesus gives? What has been the difference between the peace Jesus gives you and what our world has to offer?

How can the Holy Spirit help us obey Jesus' command to not let our hearts be troubled and do not be afraid? Have you accepted the peace that Jesus offers you?

Reflection:

Take a few minutes to ask the Lord if there are areas where you are walking in disobedience. Come to an agreement with him about this sin and begin walking with him by keeping his commands.

“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.”

- Psalm 139:23-24

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through meaningful relationships with Jesus and each other through the study of God's Word (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24-25).

Here's how we accomplish this in our community throughout the week:

SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "sharing questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life by following Jesus.

SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting real needs.

SERVE

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. The role each of us fills is important to the health of the church and for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community in which we live (Ephesians 4:11-16).

Throughout the Life Group session, it is our hope that you can find and/or be affirmed in the ways the Father has designed you to serve and make a difference in His kingdom as He conforms you to the image of His Son! (Romans 8:28-30)