

CONFIDENT IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

John 14:15-26

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?
2. WHAT DOES THE SPIRIT DO TO INSTILL CONFIDENCE?
3. HOW DO WE RECEIVE THIS CONFIDENCE?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. How would you describe your understanding of the Holy Spirit before hearing Sunday's teaching? Did the teaching from John 14:15-26 help expand or correct your understanding in any way?
3. If you could choose to have the Holy Spirit inside you or Jesus right in front of you which would you pick? What are some reasons that Jesus says it is better that He leaves so that the Holy Spirit can come?
4. In John 14:15-16, Jesus draws a direct connection between our obedience and the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Have you noticed this connection in your experience? How is this idea different than works-based salvation?
5. The work of the Holy Spirit can be summed up in the word "relationship". Once you are in God's family the work of the Spirit is to deepen and confirm the reality of your relationship with God. Read through John 14:15-26 and make note of all the times you see an action of the Spirit. What stands out to you about His work?
6. How can the example of how Jesus dealt with Peter after his denial of Jesus give us confidence and hope even when we fail?

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: When everything around us and inside us is telling us that God has abandoned us, the Holy Spirit argues with us and testifies to the truth that we are children of God and He will never abandoned us.