

# Small Groups

## Leader Conversation Guide – Holy Spirit

### Main Idea

This week, Pastor Kyle Jackson covered Part 5 of our series, “You Asked For It,” by helping us understand one of our top requested topics: the Holy Spirit. As Christians, we can be fully involved in church, spending time in the Word, and trusting God, but still feel like something is missing in our relationship with Him. Oftentimes, what we’re missing is the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. While the Holy Spirit can seem hard to understand, we don’t need to let that keep us from pursuing Him. Rather we’re cautious, curious, or confident about the Holy Spirit, He is the third person of the Trinity, and there’s more available for our lives when we’re fully empowered by Him. Today, no matter where we are in our relationships with the Holy Spirit, let’s dig into our best next steps of fully understanding who He is and what He has for us.

### Make It Practical

- If you’re confident you’ve had an experience with the Holy Spirit, He speaks to you for correction and direction. It’s time to stop hesitating and start operating in what He’s telling you to do!
- If you’re cautious in your understanding of the Holy Spirit, you need to know that the Holy Spirit is a person to know, not a principle to learn. He is our Helper, Comforter, Counselor, Advocate, and Friend. Believing this is your first step to having a relationship with Him.
- If you’re curious, you don’t just need an explanation, you need to experience His life-giving presence through the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Then, you need to depend on the power of the Holy Spirit to overcome sin, and become all God intended you to be.

**“The Friend, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send at my request, will make everything plain to you. He will remind you of all the things I have told you.”**

**John 14:26 MSG**

## Talk about It

1. As a group, openly discuss where you fall in your understanding of the Holy Spirit based on the three groups provided. How has today's message encouraged you in your relationship with the Holy Spirit?
2. Encourage each other's beliefs by sharing ways the Holy Spirit has directed your life. This could be major life decisions or simple promptings. How did God use these experiences to help you, or others, grow in Him?
3. Take a few minutes to pray privately at the end of group to intentionally invite the Holy Spirit into the areas of your life where you know He is missing.

**“Being filled with the Holy Spirit doesn't make me better than you, it makes me better than me!”**

## Prayer

Father, thank You for loving us enough to send the Holy Spirit to be our Helper, Comforter, Counselor, Advocate, and Friend. Replace our questions with the confidence found in experiencing and knowing the person of the Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit, we invite You to fill us, and direct us in every area of our lives. It's in Your mighty name we pray, Jesus. Amen!

## Leader Tips

Be prepared to kick off the discussion question about ways the Holy Spirit has directed your life. As others hear you share your story, they will be more confident to share their own.