



Week 1

Who is the Holy Spirit?

If you grew up in the states, you have probably experienced one of our big holiday's, Halloween! It's a holiday where kids dress up as all sorts of different people, animals and scary creatures. They go around from house to house knocking on doors and getting candy.

A familiar classic and cheap costumes is the ghost. You take a white bed sheet and cut two eyeholes in it, throw it on and you're a ghost. Once it's on, no one knows who's under the sheet - super spooky and mysterious!

What about the Holy Ghost? Many would ask, "is that something from a scary movie or something?" A lot of people have no idea what or who the Holy Ghost is. In fact, the name Holy Ghost was later changed to Holy Spirit because of the confusion from Halloween.

The Holy Spirit is part of the Trinity: God-Jesus-Holy Spirit. God is ONE, but has three persons. Confusing, I know, but we are going to take an in-depth look at the Holy Spirit and, over the next three weeks, really dive into who the Holy Spirit is and why God sent Him. And, hopefully He won't be a spooky scary ghost when we are done.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read John 4:24 & Genesis 1:1-2,26 & Colossians 1:15-16

"Who is the Holy Spirit?"

- 1.** What is the Trinity? And what is the importance of the Trinity?
- 2.** What do we learn from the verses in Colossians about the trinity?
- 3.** How would you explain the trinity to someone who is not a believer?

Read Joel 2:28-29 & Acts 2:1-4 & Ephesians 1:13

“The Holy Spirit is God’s Active Presence in the World”

4. What was the difference between the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament and in the New Testament?
5. Why should the Holy Spirit not be thought of as a feeling or experience?

Read John 16:7-8 & John 6:44

“The Holy Spirit Awakens our Hearts to Salvation”

6. How does the Holy Spirit help us realize our need for Christ?
7. How did the Holy Spirit draw you to Christ?

Read John 3:3-6 & Ezekiel 36:26-27

8. How did the Holy Spirit transform your life? Explain.
9. Now that we have a new heart, what should we be doing as believers?

ACTION STEP

For your action step this week, make an intentional effort to think about the Holy Spirit and how He has impacted your life. We all have the Holy Spirit inside us as believers, so this week spend time in prayer asking God to strengthen you and let the Holy Spirit inside you become a shining light to everyone around you.

Take Next Steps + Pray Together + Take Care of Each Other = Community Groups!