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Week 5 | The Holy Spirit



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RECAP

We are in week 5 of our series on the Apostle's Creed! This week we looked at the line, "I believe in the Holy Spirit." Often in reformed settings, the Holy Spirit's power and ministry is diminished within the church. This week, Pastor Josh challenged us to lean into what the Spirit is doing in our lives and to welcome the Spirit to mold us into people who look more like Jesus!

► **Icebreaker Question:** Summer Vacation is almost over! What is your favorite memory from summer so far or what are you looking forward to in the coming weeks?

DISCUSS

Each week, as a group, we'd like you to recite the Apostles Creed and share what stands out to you.

► **Key Passage:** John 14:16-21; Romans 8:14-16; John 16:1-18

1. As you read through the passages about the Holy Spirit, what stands out to you?
2. What is your experience with or knowledge of the Holy Spirit? How have you seen the Spirit work?
3. What negative experiences have you had regarding the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit?
4. How can you increase your willingness to engage with what the Holy Spirit is doing in your life?

CLOSE

This weekend we closed our services by inviting people to take part in prayer. Specifically we asked anyone with a concern, fear, sickness, a broken or strained relationship, loss, pain, addiction, sadness, anxiety or anything that needs God's attention to come forward and be prayed for. As you close your small group, encourage them to begin bringing these things to your group. As an exercise, have people anonymously write down their prayer requests this week and then close your time in prayer with those requests. Pray for the Spirit to move and intervene in their lives!

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the
right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

