Group Chat

SUMMARY

The Church and the Spirit

Every Christian is born of the Holy Spirit (John 3:5-8), baptized in the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:13), sealed with the Spirit (Ephesians 1:13-14), and filled with the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 5:18). In this way, God himself indwells his people claiming them as His own, empowering them to live the Christ-life, and conforming them to the image of Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read John 16:7-15. Jesus said it was advantageous for him to leave, so that he could send the Holy Spirit. How is Christ's work of no advantage to us without the Spirit?

2. Read Ephesians 5:15-21. This passage says that the Holy Spirit influences Christians in a comprehensive way (analogous to the way alcohol comprehensively influences the drunk person). What are some of the features of the Holy Spirit's influence in a Christian's life?

3. Read Romans 8:12-15. This passage reminds us that the Holy Spirit is the power to kill the sin that was killing us. Do you live in the confidence that this is true?