dGroup DISCUSSION GUIDE



"Fill Us Up" Pastor Bryan James 10-31-2021

Welcome: What was the last most peaceful moment you experienced?

Worship: Listen to Holy Spirit Living Breathe of God - Keith & Kristyn Getty

Word: Read Galatians 5:13-26

1. What is your current understanding of the work of the Holy Spirit and what new understanding or clarifications did you receive?

- 2. Why do you think we need the Holy Spirit? Also discuss the two primary purposes Pastor Bryan noted regarding the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Pastor Bryan discussed pneumatology (Christian theology concerning the Holy Spirit). We are sealed and indwelled/filled with the Holy Spirit at Salvation. And in Scripture, we are also encouraged to BE FILLED with the Holy Spirit, to fan the flame of the Holy Spirit in us.
 - Share a time you experienced the fullness of the Holy Spirit. If you haven't, have you ever sought to be filled with Holy Spirit? Why/why not?
- 4. How do we grieve the Holy Spirit and what does it mean to blaspheme the Holy Spirit? What does Scripture say is the consequence of doing so?
- 5. Reference Galatians 5:13-15. What does it mean to have freedom in Christ? Discuss PBJ's connection between this freedom, the power to overcome sin, serve/love one another, and keep His commandments ("the funded mandate").
- 6. Reference Gal. 5:16-23. PBJ stated, "Repression is not self-control." To repress sin and desires of the flesh is behavior modification, not transformation.
 - In what areas do you struggle and therefore try to control (i.e., modify your behavior)?
 - Discuss what true self-control looks like as a fruit of the Spirit.
- 7. *Ref. Gal. 5:24-25.* If we, who belong to Christ Jesus, have crucified the flesh, discuss what it looks like to live (and in our will, choose to walk) by the Spirit?

Witness: Close by reading *Romans 15:13*. We must be empowered by the Holy Spirit to do the work God has prepared in advance for us to do. Pray for one another to filled with the Holy Spirit, so that we may overflow with hope and refreshed vision for the hearts/souls of those He has placed in our path to fully know Him.