

Week 2- "What He Does"

In the weeks leading up to Easter we are diving into an important reality that is often forgotten, yet it's so important for our ability to understand and experience a relationship with God. In this week's message, We look at what happens when someone is born of the Spirit, and what the Holy Spirit does in and for us.

1. What stood out to you from the message?

2. What has been your understanding of the Holy Spirit's role in your life up to this point?

Read John 14:16-18

Jesus taught that without the Holy Spirit Christianity would be an empty religion, with no real help in walking out faith.

3. Have you ever bumped into a version of Christianity that left you feeling that God was distant and that you had to figure it out on your own? If so, can you share what that experience is like?

4. Jesus said that He would not leave you orphaned. What does this say about his heart for you?

Read John 3:3-8

5. Faith in Jesus isn't a place we arrive, it's the beginning of new life. With that in mind, what do you think it looks like to depend on the Spirit to grow in your faith?

6. Discuss the truth that through the Spirit you are a son or daughter of God creating the closest intimacy you can have with Him.

Christianity teaches that thought faith in Jesus, the Holy Spirit does incredible things in us:

- We become more aware of His presence. Romans 8:11
- We have the promise of an eternal inheritance. Ephesians 1:13-14
- He helps us pray. Ephesians 2:18, Romans 8:26
- He helps us understand the Bible. John 16:12
- He helps us become like Jesus. 2 Corinthians 3:18, Galatians 5:22-23
- He gives gifts to all God's children. 1 Corinthians 12:7-11
- He helps us grow God's family. Acts 1:8
- He invites us to come and drink of living water. Revelation 22:17

7. In what ways do you find it difficult to depend on the spirit for help in your relationship with God?

8. What step of trust can you take to allow the Spirit to help you see that He has given you everything you need to follow Jesus?

Jesus invites us to come and drink of His living water. Through the Holy Spirit living in us we are filled with incredible things to help us walk out our faith as we navigate this broken world. We can rest in the truth that we are not left as orphans, instead we are called the sons and daughters of God, and have access to a life giving relationship with Him.