



**In our culture the message encourages us to do everything we can to make it on our own and culture tends to celebrate the self-made image. The problem with this is that we often find ourselves feeling insecure when our circumstances shake the identity we built for ourselves. In this message, Billy Nolan shares what He is learning about life and invites us to discover the role the Holy Spirit has in our lives and the abundance we can have even when circumstances are chaotic.**

1. How would you answer the question: "If you could say in one word what you want more out of life, what would that be?"
2. What happens when you don't achieve this, or when something in your life threatens this?
3. What is your understanding of who the Holy Spirit is and his role in your life?
4. What would it mean to you if you could have an abundant life not based on whether you achieve your greatest desire or not?

**Read Galatians 5:22-23**

5. How does it make you feel to discover that you don't have to figure out how to produce the fruits of the spirit yourself, the Holy Spirit does this in you?
6. How does discovering who the Holy Spirit is help you surrender to him?
7. Why is it important to evaluate who God says you are and challenge where you are staking your identity?

### **Read Romans 8:15**

8. How does the truth that through faith in Jesus you are a child of God help you trust his Spirit in you?

9. Are you able to sense the Holy Spirit helping you in all circumstances? Why or why not?

10. How can this group help you deepen your understanding of who the Holy Spirit is, and who God says you are?

**When we understand who the Holy Spirit is and understand our new identity, then surrendering to the Holy Spirit is something we will willingly and cheerfully want to do. When we surrender to the Holy Spirit, we will experience a life where there is more love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. This allows us to live an abundant life that is not based on what we do or not do, rather it is based on the Spirit helping us in all things.**