

**SCRIPTURE & NOTES:**  [John 14-16](#)

# Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

**Series:** Make Room: Creating Space for the Spirit to Work

**Message:** Part 1 - Holy Who?

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## **Connect** (30min)



1. **Telephone Tales** – Have someone whisper a fact about their life in one person’s ear and quietly pass that message around the room, whispering it to the person beside you. Have the last person to hear the message share it out loud with the group. How different was it from the original statement? Try this a couple of times...
2. **March Madness** – In groups of 3-4. Share a challenge or an opportunity for you this month and pray for each other.

## **Message Discussion** (35min)

### 1. **Message Feedback**

- a. What jumped out at you from Sunday’s message? What key thought did you walk away with?
- b. Do you have any questions following Sunday’s message?

### 2. **Holy Who?**

- a. When you hear the name “*Holy Spirit*” what comes to your mind? What do you think of and why? Discuss.
  - b. When it comes to the Holy Spirit, we may lose understanding of who He is for several reasons.
    - > What are some reasons you think the Holy Spirit is so misunderstood? Which reasons connect with you?
    - > What has that confusion or misunderstanding caused you to do and why?  
(e.g., ignore Him, steer clear of Him, fear Him...)
  - c.  **Read [John 16:5-7](#).**
    - > What do you learn about God and what do you learn about people through Jesus’ here?
    - > Can you identify *The Trinity* (Father-Son-Spirit) in these verses?
    - > Why is better that Jesus leaves and the Spirit comes? How do you think the disciples felt hearing this news?
- >  **Read [John 16:8-11](#).** What does this tell us about the advantages and work of the Holy Spirit?

### 3. **Insights on the Spirit**

Jesus taught us a ton about the Holy Spirit in  **[John 14-16](#)** (read these chapters on your own this week).

Read through the following list and after each insight about the Holy Spirit ask this question:

*“How does this truth about the Holy Spirit impact my life and bring me closer to Jesus?”*

- a. John 14:15-16 – Counselor/Comforter.
- b. John 14:16b – The One who will never leave you.
- c. John 14:17a – Spirit of truth.
- d. John 14:17b – Dwells in us.
- e. John 14:26 – He is our teacher.
- f. John 15:26 – He testifies of Jesus.
- g. John 16:8-9 – Convicts the world of sin.
- h. John 16:10 – Convicts the world of righteousness.
- i. John 16:11 – Convicts the world of judgment.
- j. John 16:13a – Guides us into all truth.
- k. John 16:13b – Does not speak of Himself.
- l. John 16:13c – He shows us things to come.
- m. John 16:14 – He glorifies Jesus.

**\*What is one insight that connects with you today and why?**

## Prayer (25min)

\*Break into groups of 3-4 people or men/women for sharing and prayer.

In response, how can we pray for you and one other person today?

> Pray for one another -- for a greater awareness and filling of Holy Spirit in our lives.

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Participants in our Alpha Course will engage and discuss these videos on Sat. March 9. Please pray for them.

> Who Is The Holy Spirit? [ <https://player.vimeo.com/video/260784522> ]

> What Does The Holy Spirit Do? [ <https://player.vimeo.com/video/255753721> ]

> How Can I Be Filled With The Holy Spirit? [ <https://player.vimeo.com/video/224935962> ]

Pray through our *2024 Prayer Goals* as a group:

# 20 24 PRAYER GOALS

**A PASSION TO PRAY.** Personally, and corporately. That we would become a church OF prayer.

For at least 200 new people to **ATTEND** our Set Free and Empower Retreats.

**A FRESH VISITATION** of the Holy Spirit that results in a willingness to respond to all He gives us and calls us to.

That we **MAKE ROOM** for more people to experience wholeness in Christ.