RIVERS CROSSING COMMUNITY CHURCH

Groups Guide – Spirit Filled Jesus, Week #2

ENGAGE ONE ANOTHER:

Read 1 Corinthians 13:-1-7 together and then discuss:

- 1. What qualities of love do you feel are strengths for you? (Ex. "I'm very patient when it comes to loving people.")
- 2. What qualities are areas you feel that you may struggle? (ex. "I'm irritable a lot of times when it comes to loving certain people.")

Read Mark 12:28-29 together and review the Trinity visual theology sheet and then discuss:

- 3. Have you been confused in the past or now about the Trinity? What about it make it hard to understand?
- 4. Did Pastor Paul's example about Auburn help you understand it more? Why or why not?
- 5. After looking at the visual, which illustrations did you once use that maybe now fall short H20, egg, three leaf clover, etc...? Take a little time to try to describe the Trinity in your own words.
- 6. How did this message help you to see that love comes from the Holy Spirit and not from yourself?
- 7. What area(s) of your life do you feel God is leading you to learn to love in the power of the Holy Spirit vs your own strength?
- 8. Who comes to mind when you think of a person that you find difficult to love? What would change in your interactions with them if you asked the Holy Spirit to empower you to love them? Are you willing to pray for that?

PAUSE & REFLECT:

In the Psalms, it's called a "Selah". A moment to catch your breath, rest, and praise. It's an intentional break to reflect and fully experience the moment before moving on. How did God challenge, encourage, correct, etc... as your group engaged one another in this conversation?

ENGAGE GOD:

Read and meditate on this scripture: Mark 12:28-31 Jesus gave five ways to love God and Love Others:

Emotionally:	Spiritually:	Mentally:	Physically:	Neighborly:
ALL your Heart	ALL your Soul	ALL your Mind	ALL your Body	Love them as you love yourself

As you meditate, focus on the word "ALL". Allow the Holy Spirit to point out to you where you are loving God with your "ALL" in the 4 areas and where you may be falling short of loving Him with your "ALL".

GROUP PRAYER:

Popcorn Prayer: Have each person fill in the blank with the prayer: "Lord, fill me with your Holy Spirit so I can learn to love you with all my ______ (fill in the area you feel led to pray: heart, soul, mind, strength) and teach me to love others as much as I love myself. In Jesus name, Amen!" Once everyone has prayed, open up general prayers and address additional prayer requests and concerns as needed.

ENGAGE ONE ANOTHER + ENGAGE GOD = Extraordinary Together

