

Hillside Church of Marin - Small Group Discussion Guide

Part 5: Life in the Spirit, from Romans 8:1-15 (link), on 03/10/24

Main Point: To live in accordance with the Spirit, Christians set their minds on the Spirit in practices

Getting Started

1. What jumped out to you about this week's talk? Why?

Read Romans 8:1-15 (link) aloud together, discuss

- 2. What does the Holy Spirit do in Christians?
- 3. How should believers engage the Holy Spirit's work?
- Is there a tension between the what we do and what the Spirit does? Explain.
- 5. How can we set our minds on the Spirit?

Application

- 6. We can help determine what has captured our attention by evaluating our:
 - 6.1. Thoughts and feelings // Conversations // Calendars // Wallet
 - 6.2. If you took stock using these four things, what would you find your mind is set on?
- 7. We talked about Christian practices in two categories:
 - 7.1. Engaging & Receiving: Gathering for Worship // Scripture Reading // Prayer // Sabbath
 - 7.2. **Refining:** Confession // Generosity // Fasting
 - 7.3. Have you ever done any of these consistently? What was your experience / struggle / enjoyment?
- 8. Can you explain the difference between just doing something on this list, and intentionally doing it to set your mind on the Spirit?
- 9. What is one practice from the list that you can start doing in the next 48 hours, with the intentionality of setting your mind on the Spirit?
- 10. How can this group support you as you integrate this practice? Make a plan!

Prayer

- 11. What specific things can we pray for you as we seek to set our minds on the Spirit through practices?
- 12. Have each person pray for someone else in the group, based on what they requested.