



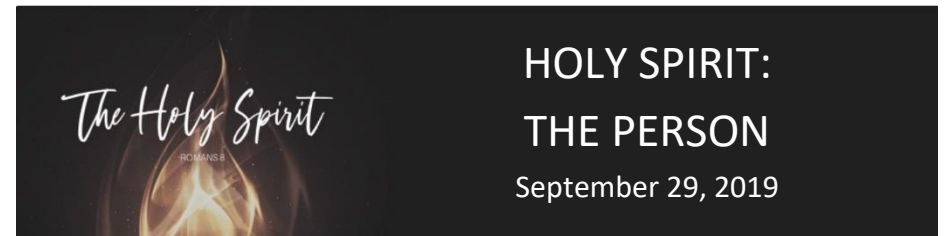
As the discussion leader, here are a few things to keep in mind for your Life Group: • **Pray** for your group discussion time! • **Review** your notes from Sunday's message and familiarize yourself with the discussion questions prior to your group meeting. • **Choose** a few questions from the guide which you feel will generate the most discussion in your group. For questions with multiple parts, answer the first part before reading the next part to the group. These questions are designed to build on the answer of the previous part before moving on.

### **Getting to Know Me**

Who is your best friend and how long have you known him/her? What is something about your best friend you just recently discovered? Do you think we can ever get to the place where we know everything about someone?

### **Exploring the Word – Romans 8:1-4**

1. As you listened to the message, what points stood out?
2. Read Romans 8:1. In this chapter of Scripture, the apostle Paul begins to focus on the work of the Holy Spirit. Thus far in Romans, he has only written about the Holy Spirit four times (refer to Romans 1:4, 2:29, 5:5, and 7:6). Read these verses and discuss the significance of the Holy Spirit in each verse.
3. Why is there no condemnation for those who have put their faith in Christ?
4. Read Romans 8:2. What activities of the Holy Spirit are mentioned in this verse?
5. Read Romans 8:3-4. The Holy Spirit is the third person in the Trinity of God. Discuss the nature of the fellowship between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. How does the Holy Spirit complement the Father and the Son?
6. How do we know if we are living by the power of the Spirit? What types of things will we pursue and what "kind of fruit" will be evident in our lives (refer to Galatians 5:22-23)?



### **Romans 8:1-4**

#### **I. The work of the Holy Spirit (v. 1)**

- The Holy Spirit provides the \_\_\_\_\_ to accomplish God's purposes.
- The Holy Spirit changes our \_\_\_\_\_ through spiritual surgery.
- The Holy Spirit holds relationships together with impartations of divine \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Holy Spirit does the work of \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **II. The Holy Spirit is a person (v. 2)**

- The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ dwells inside of Christians.
- The Holy Spirit is a \_\_\_\_\_ whose voice sounds like the Bible.
- The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ us about what is right and wrong.
- The Holy Spirit imparts and sustains \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **III. The equality of the Holy Spirit (vv. 3-4)**

- The Holy Spirit is \_\_\_\_\_ with the Father and Son.
- A name is not what someone can do for us – \_\_\_\_\_.
- A name is not freedom to do nothing – \_\_\_\_\_.
- A name is what we are free to do in love with someone – \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.