

Devotional and Discussion Guide - John 14:15-27

This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.

<u>READ</u>

Begin by reading John 14:15-27.

- As you read, note how Jesus describes the Holy Spirit. Who is the Holy Spirit and what does the Holy Spirit do?
- Why do you think Jesus is so intent on explaining the Holy Spirit to the disciples in this moment? What are they about to experience?
- What questions do you have after reading these verses?

<u>REFLECT</u>

- ON THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: *Reread John 14:15-21*. As we read these verses, we see that the Holy Spirit is more than just a force. The Holy Spirit is a person that we can get help from and have a relationship with. We are not alone!
 - What does it mean for the Holy Spirit to be a person?
 - How does the personhood of the Holy Spirit help you connect with him?
- **ON PEACE:** *Reread John 14:22-27.* Jesus sent the Holy Spirit so that we would not be alone. When we accept Christ into our lives, we get the fullness of the Spirit immediately. We have the Spirit with us and in us. From the inside-out we can experience peace and life.
 - When have you experienced a moment of peace from the Holy Spirit that comes from the inside-out?
 - Have you experienced walking with the Spirit? How does walking with the Holy Spirit increase your peace?

<u>PRAY</u>

- Begin your time of prayer by reading **Philippians 4:4-7**. Read it slowly.
- Now, use these verses to guide your prayer. To get you started...

FOCUS on the nearness of God. You are not alone.

THANK God for the peace He gives that transcends all understanding.

CONFESS your anxieties and how you have been slow to come to God for help.

ASK God to fill you with peace and to guard your heart and mind against fear and worry.

*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures: 1 Kings 19:11-13 2 Corinthians 3:16-18 Psalms 23:1-6 Romans 8:5-6

