

*(Note to Kinship Leader: You don't have to use every question – just what you want to use)*

**Message Date:** 02/21/2010

**Pastor:** Mark Kirk

**Message Title:** The Holy Spirit – Part 2

**Scriptures:** Various

**“Recommended” Launch Question(s):**

When it comes to the Bible, emotions and feelings can confuse and distort the truth of God's Word. How have you seen emotions and feelings hold you (or someone else) back from everything God has for you?

**“Recommended” Guiding Question(s):**

*In part 2 Pastor Mark explains who the Holy Spirit is and what is His purpose.*

Pastor Mark likened the false teachings and uses of God's Holy Spirit to “Identity Theft.” Give some examples to this and associated frustrations if you've ever had your identity stolen.

“Wind,” “Electricity” and “Force” are just a few words people have used to falsely describe the Holy Spirit. What other descriptions have you heard?

Last week we asked you which of the following descriptors of the Holy Spirit stand out the most to you and why? Now revisit them by reading John 16:7-15 and discuss how this impacts your walk with Christ.

- Helper (v7)
- Comforter (v7 – also look at John 14:15-18)
- Convictor (v8)
- The Spirit of Truth
  - o Messenger for God (v13)
  - o Revealer of prophecy (v13)
- Glorifier (v14)
- Declarer (v14)

How can the Holy Spirit be a “person” that we can be “filled” with? *(ans: while it's hard to relate to because we're in this flesh, but it simply refers to God's Spirit completely taking us over and ruling over our lives)*

**“Recommended” Summary Question(s):**

Ephesians 4:30 describes a very personal emotion of the Holy Spirit. Share ways a Christian can do “this.”

**“Recommended” Application Question(s):**

Choosing to walk “holy” by seeking the right things of God instead of sin and self will “empty” you and allow God's Holy Spirit to inhabit and “fill” you. Identify the choices you'll face this week and put up the appropriate boundaries. Seek prayer from the group for any areas of struggle you know you're going to face.

If you haven't yet asked, ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit to give you the power that He gave to Peter and Paul. Our God is the same yesterday, today and forever!