Holy Spirit

God With Us; God In Us

The Holy Spirit has been rather ignominiously referred to by some as "the forgotten God." The Spirit certainly is one of the least understood aspects of our faith, but we must not forget about Him. Try as we might, we simply cannot live the Christian life without the presence of God with us and in us. This week will explore what the Scriptures have to say about the role the Holy Spirit plays in the life of a believer.

Day 1 Read John 14:15-27

What does this passage teach us about the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives? What does it mean for the Spirit to be an advocate for us?

Day 2 Read John 16:1-15

What sort of insight does this passage offer us about who the Holy Spirit is and what the Holy Spirit does? According to Jesus, why is it better for them that He "goes away?"

Day 3 Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Corinth was a metropolis in the ancient world. The people there were educated and cultured. They were more than likely familiar with many of the new philosophies and religious beliefs of their day. With that in mind, what jumps out to you about what Paul says to them in this passage? How have you experienced the Spirit's power?

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Day 4 Read Ephesians 2:19-22

What does this passage say about the role the Spirit plays in our communal lives? How are you experiencing this personally?

Day 5 Read Acts 16:6-10

What does this passage have to teach us about how the Holy Spirit works in our lives? When was the last time you did something you weren't planning to do because you felt a sort of "nudge" to do it? How can we be more open and aware to those "nudges?"

Day 6 Read 1 John 4:1-16

What do you notice from this passage about how the Spirit works in our lives? What does it mean to "test the spirits?" How do we do that?

Day 7 Read 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

What is the most encouraging part of this passage for you? Try and put verse 18 in your own words. Looking back over this past year, how do you see the Spirit's work in your life? In what way are you being transformed into the very image of Jesus Christ?

