Truth (9/29/24) Discussion Questions

Summary: As he prepared to go to the cross, Jesus kept bringing up the Holy Spirit. Clearly it was essential to the disciples to know the person and work of the Holy Spirit in their lives, as it is for us! "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth" (Jn. 16:13). We will see three names and activities of the Holy Spirit: A) the Spirit of Comfort; B) the Spirit of Truth and; C) the Spirit of Grace. Be encouraged to know and walk more closely with the Spirit of Christ!

"Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, *but be filled with the Spirit.*" Eph. 5:17-18

The Names and Activities of the Holy Spirit:

- 1. The Spirit of <u>**Comfort**</u> to be with us and help us (v. 12; 14:16-17; Rom. 8:15-16)
- Directing all glory to **the Lord Jesus** (1 John 4:2; Jn. 16:14)
- 2. The Spirit of <u>**Truth**</u> to teach us all things (v. 13; 14:26)
 - To understand the **Gospel** and God's purposes (1 Cor. 2:14-16; Php. 2:5)
 - To share **<u>God's Word</u>** with others (Acts 1:8)
- 3. The Spirit of **<u>Grace</u>** to give us all we need (v. 13-15)
 - Every spiritual blessing **<u>in Christ</u>** (Eph. 1:3; Lk. 11:13)
 - As we learn to pray according to <u>**His will**</u> (14:12-14, 27)

"...Be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, *that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*" Ephesians 3:17-19

Get Started:

- 1. How did you get your name? Why did your parents choose that name for you?
- 2. Do you have a nickname? Where did that come from? How did you get it?

Dig In: Read John 16:12-16

- 3. What stands out to you in this passage?
- 4. What name does Jesus use for the Holy Spirit here? Why is that significant?
- 5. What is the Spirit's role and mission? (v. 13-14)
- 6. What is it that belongs to Jesus that the Holy Spirit shares with us? (v. 15-16)

Move Forward:

- Read John 14:15-18.
- How has the Holy Spirit comforted you recently? How have you been especially aware of His loving presence with you?
- Read John 14:25-27.
- How has the Holy Spirit helped you understand and apply Scripture recently? (Has the Spiritual Life Worksheet been helpful to you? How?)

- How has He given you peace?How can we pray for you as you listen to and walk with the Spirit?