



Going Solo

MAIN THING

The Adventure Never Happens for Those Disconnected From God

SCRIPTURE

John 16:7-15, Romans 8:26-27, Ephesians 4:30, 1 Thessalonians 5:19

ICEBREAKER

What is the first thing that comes to mind when you hear the term, "Holy Chost?"

OPENING THOUGHT

When Jesus went away, He promised that the Holy Spirit, "The Counselor" would arrive. He would do three things within us; He would convict us of sin, point the world to Jesus, and tell us of Satan's ultimate defeat. The Christian life is one of constant dialogue with the Holy Spirit of God within us. People walking with the Holy Spirit produce two kinds of results. One is personal results: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The second is kingdom results. People served, people discipled, orphans cared for, baptisms, churches planted, etc. The deep personal connection to the Holy Spirit of God is essential for us to produce either kind of results.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
- 2. Read John 16:7-15. What term does Christ use here to refer to the Holy Spirit? Why is this a fitting title for the Holy Spirit? What are one of the Spirit's responsibilities according to this scripture? Why is this important?
- 3. The Holy Spirit also intercedes for us. What does Romans 8:26-27 say about that? Why is this so important? Have you ever found yourself in a place where this is what you need? How did the Spirit work in this situation? Could you have done it alone?

LIFE APPLICATION

We can grieve the Spirit of God (Ephesians 4:30). We can put out the Spirit's fire (1 Thessalonians 5:19). We can neglect the Spirit of God by trying to do things in our own power. People who live like this never find their purpose, never find their calling, and never produce fruit for the Kingdom of God. Do you feel like you're in a rut? Is it possible that you're not in sync with the Holy Spirit? What can you do to connect to God's Holy Spirit this week? What noise is keeping you from hearing from Him? Sometimes, we have so much outside noise that we don't allow the Spirit to lead us. Be sure to take some time to be quiet.

CHALLENGE

As a group, ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in these study times, to be in your prayers, and to help you in your walk of discipleship. Ask Him to show you the areas of your life you need to bring before Jesus. Ask Him to help you praise and worship Jesus and to walk more in step with His purposes and plans for your life. Don't be scared of the Holy Spirit. Invite Him to be at work in you and your group. He will help you discern and be wise about what is from Him and what isn't. You should never go solo in your spiritual walk. This, not only, means the work of the Holy Spirit, but also being in community with others.