

All of us have been in a place in our life where we needed help from someone. The upper room discourse is the final teaching of Jesus before He went to the cross. Much of His teaching is focused on loving others and spreading the Gospel. In today's passage Jesus continues to explain to the disciples about His departure and the sending of the Holy Spirit and what that means for their lives. We'll learn that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth, that it's actually good for us that Jesus returned to heaven, and we'll also learn how we can walk in the truth of God. Read the questions below and discuss them with your group.

- 1. When in the past couple of months have you needed help with something? It might have been help with a project around the house, something at work, or your taxes. Share how you asked for help in that situation.
- 2. **Read John 15:26-27**. Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit and that the Spirit would guide us in all truth. Share with your group at least one truth that you have learned from following Jesus that you didn't know or practice before trusting Jesus.
- 3. Neal took some time to teach us about relative and absolute truth. What is the downside of a culture that continues to push relative truth? How can we as believers help people to see the absolute truth of Jesus?
- 4. **Read John 16:1-5**. Jesus has been extremely repetitive in His teaching. Look back at the previous couple of chapters of John and share where you see this repetition. Why is repetition important for our Christian walk?
- 5. Jesus promised that His departure would bring the presence of the Holy Spirit. **Read** John 16:7. How do you walk daily in the presence of the Holy Spirit? If you struggle with this, share how you'd like to walk more in the presence of the Holy Spirit.
- 6. Jesus said the Holy Spirit would convict us of sin, teach us about righteous living, and be the rationale for judgement. Talk about how this progression leads to life change as you follow Jesus.
- 7. **Read Acts 2:36-41.** After Jesus ascended back into heaven, we read a powerful account of the Holy Spirit at work. Where do you want to see the Holy Spirit move in a powerful way in your life and in our church family?
- **8**. Close your time in prayer. Pray for a movement of the Holy Spirit in your life and at Coastline.