



As we wrap up our sermon series *Lean In*, we are going to talk about the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the third person in the Trinity. We see the work of the Holy Spirit throughout Scripture. The Holy Spirit is rarely preached on and some people can think of Him as mysterious. In the Old Testament the Holy Spirit would come on a person for a certain time or task but in the New Testament there is a change. In John 14, Jesus promised the disciples that the Holy Spirit would be their guide and comforter. We know that the Holy Spirit is a free gift of God; He is not something that can be purchased. One purpose of the Spirit is so we are not alone. The Holy Spirit helps us to accomplish the commands of God. Take some time to study these questions and lean into the Spirit.

1. One of the places we read the most about the Holy Spirit is in the book of Acts. We see the Spirit embolden the believers to do the work of God. Share about a time when you knew the Spirit was giving you power to do God's work.
2. Read John 14:15-21. Jesus promised us the Holy Spirit as a free gift. Meaning the Spirit is available to anyone and everyone who places their trust in Jesus. Read Acts 10:44-48 and talk about how the free gift of the Spirit was seen.
3. In John 14:17-18, Jesus told the disciples that the world neither sees nor knows the Holy Spirit. Read: Matthew 1:18, 3:16, and Luke 1:41. Talk about how God's people saw the Holy Spirit at work in miraculous and tangible ways.
4. Read John 14:22-24. Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit wouldn't leave us alone. Think of a time when you felt lonely and needed the Holy Spirit to help you. Read Acts 4:8-22 and talk about how the Spirit helped Peter when he needed it most.
5. Some of Jesus' final words were a commission to the early church (read Matthew 28:18-20). Read Acts 2:42-47, 8:34-40, 13:1-3, and 16:11-15. What do these stories teach us about the obedience of the disciples?
6. Read John 14:25-27. Jesus told us that the Holy Spirit would teach us and remind us of all the things that He said. Read Acts 4:8-22 and talk about how the Spirit gave Peter the words to speak.
7. Some believers have never really studied the work of the Holy Spirit in their life. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:19. Paul encouraged the church not to "quench" the Holy Spirit. Can you think of ways to allow the Spirit to work more in your life?
8. Close your time in prayer. Talk about who you will invite to Coastline Online.