

**THE HOLY SPIRIT:
THE FORGOTTEN THIRD MEMBER OF THE TRINITY
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1. The Bible teaches us that we can have a close, intimate, and personal relationship with God through the Holy Spirit. Is that easy or difficult for you to believe? Have you been experiencing close fellowship with the Spirit in your daily life?
2. Which one of the Holy Spirit's responsibilities in our fellowship stood out to you the most? Were you surprised about how "normal" fellowship with the Spirit really is?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 2:8-12. What do these verses teach us about the way God reveals himself to people? How does this help inform where we should and shouldn't go looking for truth about God?
4. Read Romans 8:26-27. There's a lot of mystery here, but what do you think it means that the Spirit intercedes for us in prayer? How should this idea give us comfort as believers?
5. Read Romans 8:12-14 and Galatians 3:1-3. What do these verses teach us about the way we fight against sin in our lives? Is this the natural way you fight against sin? Why or why not?
6. Oftentimes we think a lot about the Holy Spirit's convicting work in our lives and how he helps us against temptation, but the Bible also says that the Spirit enables us to have hope in suffering and leads us in the path of peace of joy (see Romans 5:2-5 and Romans 14:17). How should these two responsibilities of the Spirit inform the way we think about Christian maturity?
7. The Bible teaches that Christians can grieve or quench the Spirit, and that, in contrast, we should be filled with the Spirit. What are some of the ways you seek to be filled with the Spirit? What are some spiritual disciplines you are interested in growing in over the next couple of months?