THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHURCH DISCUSSION QUESTIONS SELECTED PASSAGES IN ACTS

U	Before this past Sunday, what are a few of the things you had been taught about the Holy Spirit? Did you grow up in a church that focused			
	on the Spirit, or one that seemingly ignored the Spirit?			
	From your knowledge of the book of Acts, what would be some characteristics of a biblically "aligned view" of the Spirit and the church?			
4	2 If someone wanted to minimize the Holy Spirit and perhaps relegate him to a mere "force" instead of one of the persons of the Godhea			
	how would you defend a trinitarian view?			
	What passages or points would you appeal to in Scripture that affirm the full divinity of the Spirit.			
3	How would you describe the Holy Spirit's practical work in your life? Where does he show up? How does he impact your daily rhythm?			
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	One of the key points from the book of Acts, is that the Spirit directs – sometimes he sets the course (i.e., Macedonian vision), sometimes he forbids an intention (i.e., Paul's desire to go to Bithynia), sometimes he points us to places we never would have considered (i.e., Philip going to			
	forbids an intention (i.e., Paul's desire to go to Bithynia), sometimes he points us to places we never would have considered (i.e., Philip going to the road to Gaza). So how is the Spirit directing your life?			
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4	How does the work of the Spirit in the church kill the roots of racism?	
	Why do you think people (even Christians) tend to divide instead of unite? How can a proper understar overcome such tendencies?	nding of the ministry of the Spirit
	Why is racism really an identity prioritization problem? What are some passages of scripture that poir of uniformity in ethnic backgrounds?	nt the church to unity in Christ instead
5	The Holy Spirit creates Christian community and builds Christian character.	
	What are some of the virtues of Christian community you appreciate most? How can you cultivate then	n in your community group?
	♥ If being filled with the Spirit results in virtuous character, how can you pursue a submission to the contr he been doing in you recently to root our sin and shame and produce Spiritual fruit?	rolling influence of the Spirit? What has PRAYER REQUESTS
6	People who are filled with the Spirit are enabled to speak – they proclaim the good news.	
	What would it look like for a Christian to submit to the control of the Spirit and harness the courage of the spirit in order to be witnesses for Christ?	
	♥ Who are you burdened to share the good news with? Perhaps you can have your community group join you in prayer for boldness and opportunity to proclaim the gospel.	