On a scale of familiarity from 0 (I know nothing) to 10 (I know all) what is your understanding of the Holy Spirit?

Why might some believers struggle to know the Holy Spirit intimately?

#### Dig In!

## Read John 16:13; Acts 2:38-39; 1 Corinthians 2:12-13; Titus 3:4-7; Ephesians 1:13-14

 What do the above passages reveal about God? How do they set an important foundation for the way we think about the Holy Spirit? What happens if we believe the wrong things about the Holy Spirit?

## Read John 3:3-9; Titus 3:5

- Nicodemus was confused about the meaning of being born again because he was only thinking about
  physical life and not spiritual life. How would you explain the Spirit's work in helping us be born again?
- How does this passage refute the idea that being born into a religious home or culture qualifies you for eternal life with God?
- How does the idea of being born again convey both a process of formation and a moment of delivery?

## **Read Romans 8:11-16; Galatians 5:16-25**

- According the passage from Romans, what does the Holy Spirit give us confidence about?
- The thrust of the message to the Galatians moves us away from confidence in religious practices to confidence in salvation only if we have the Holy Spirit leading us. What does the Spirit produce in us to reassure us that we are saved?

#### Read 1 Corinthians 12:7

- If you've been attending Harvest for some time but aren't serving the body of Christ in a regular and tangible way, why not?
- How do people get to the place where their service gives opportunity for the Spirit to bring glory to God?
   (I.e., so that someone may remark, even about some simple way of serving, "Who (but God) does that?!")

# Read Ephesians 4:30, 5:11-18

• Do you enjoy a sense of the Spirit presence in your daily life? Are there any words of warning in these texts for you? What do you want to change this week in response to what the Spirit is showing you?

#### Break Out!

Confess and pray about your struggles to submit to the Spirit. Spend more time in prayer than usual, knowing the Spirit intercedes for you.