

w/b 29th September 2019

THEME: HOLY SPIRIT: PERSON, PRESENCE, POWER - JESUS TEACHES ON HOLY SPIRIT

LIFE APPLICATION PASSAGE: JOHN 14

LAUNCH

Have you ever had a first impression of someone that was completely wrong?

What was it and why were you mistaken?

What is your standard pick-me -drink? What does it do for you?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

Has Holy Spirit been significant in your life last week? How so?

What does it mean that Holy Spirit 'lives with us'? How can this be significant from day-to-day?

Read John 14:15-31 3. What is Jesus' promise of Holy Spirit? What does that mean for you?

What does Jesus mean by 'I will not leave you as orphans'? How is this true for every Christian?

Jesus says, 'Because I live, you also will live'. What does he mean?

How is the degree of intimacy that Jesus shares with the Father similar or dissimilar to that with which we share with God?

How can we better hear and obey Jesus' commands as an act of love? Why is it important to note that we do not earn our salvation through obedience, but through Jesus?

What is the role of Holy Spirit as Counsellor? How does the Holy Spirit teach and remind us of everything that Jesus has taught us?

When we feel prompted by Holy Spirit, how is the Bible important to confirm our discernment?

How do you respond to the idea of Jesus leaving us with peace? What type of peace does he give? (Note Jesus' differentiation of peace in verse 27.)

How might the disciples been troubled and afraid? How can we be in a position for our hearts not to be troubled or afraid? How can the Holy Spirit make this real?

Have you had a personal experience of God giving you a deep and enduring peace? (Feel free to share it with the group if you feel comfortable to do so!)

How do you think you might be able to better cooperate with Holy Spirit living in you during the coming week? In what areas do you want to hear from him more?

APPLICATION

Pray that we will know Holy Spirit's presence more and not live like orphans

Pray for those who feel he is distant or has abandoned them

Pray for a responsiveness to listen to his voice in the coming week

St Barts CofE church has done an excellent job of unpacking John 14 for us. Launch questions are from elsewhere. Some questions have been altered