



# The Forgotten God

## Who Is He?

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Week 1

1 of 5

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**Bottom Line:** The Holy Spirit is a person.

**Icebreaker:** What are the most important characteristics to you of a best friend?

**Key Verse:** *Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.* John 16:7 NKJV

The Holy Spirit is probably the least understood person of the Trinity. Among the myths and the mistaken concepts that are shared, He has been described as a force, a ghost, and a second-class or replacement god. Nothing could be further from the truth. It is vital for the church to know the Spirit, learn to relate to Him, and understand how He manifests Himself. The Holy Spirit is a person who relates to us as a person, who indwells us when we personally accept Jesus. There is no area of life in which the believer does not need the help of the Holy Spirit.

In the message, Dwight shared that the Holy Spirit is my God, my Helper, and my Friend. The Holy Spirit is a person who relates to us in person, who indwells us when we personally accept Jesus. What part of that definition is the most challenging and/or most comforting to accept?

What would you do if you were absolutely certain the Holy Spirit lived in you? How would that reality change the way you live?

The same Spirit that brought Jesus back to life is alive in you. The Holy Spirit can resurrect and bring back to life all kinds of hopes and dreams. In fact, the Holy Spirit inside of you is better than Jesus beside you.

## THINK IT OVER >>>

What impacted you most from the message?

In what ways do you feel like God has been a friend to you?

Have you ever thought it would be great if Jesus were still here on the earth?

Read John 16:7. Why do you think He said it was better if He goes away and if the Holy Spirit is with us instead?

Read John 14:16, John 14:26, and John 15:26. If the Father gave us the Holy Spirit and Jesus said it is better if He is with us than Jesus Himself, do you think He is important? Why do you think the Father and the Son speak so highly of the importance of the Holy Spirit?

Read John 16:8–9. Have you ever felt convicted of sin? Did you know it was the Holy Spirit?

Why is the Holy Spirit's role in this so important?

## LOOK IT OVER <<<

What was the most surprising truth you learned about the Holy Spirit?

Rate your understanding of the Holy Spirit 1-10, with 1 being extremely low and 10 being extremely high. Why did you choose that number?

What was the most impactful lesson you learned about the Holy Spirit that you can put into practice?

# NEXT STEPS

1. Read John 16:12-13. Pray that the Holy Spirit would lead you into all truth and that you will grow in your friendship with the Holy Spirit.
2. Make a commitment to attend all of the messages on “The Forgotten God.”
3. Attend DISCOVER Track.

## EVALUATION/ACTION

Realizing and reaching your full potential in Christ

**Bottom Line:** The Holy Spirit is a person.

Rate yourself from 1 to 10 1 (never), 10 (always)	1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10
Why did you give yourself this rating?										
What benefits will you obtain by raising your rating?										
Do you know someone who demonstrates this bottom line well? What do you admire about that person?										
What specific action can you put into practice to raise your rating?										
At the end of this week, reflect - where did you see the bottom line show up in your actions throughout the week?										

## PRAYER

List group members and their prayer requests for this week:

## DAILY STUDY

Want to dig deeper? Check out **The Daily** this week at [newpointe.org/daily](http://newpointe.org/daily):

Monday: John 14:16-17

Tuesday: John 14:25-26

Wednesday: John 16:7

Thursday: John 16:12-13.

Friday: John 16:8-11

***Don't let the conversation stop here. Keep talking it over with others throughout the week.***

*(Don't forget to bring this paper to your next small group meeting)*