

# Discussion and Devotional Guide - John 15:26-16:15

This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.

# <u>READ</u>

## Begin by reading John 15:26-16:15.

- As you read, underline or highlight all the different ways you see the Spirit work.
- Why does Jesus refer to the Holy Spirit as our Advocate?
- What questions do you have after reading these verses?

# <u>REFLECT</u>

**THE HOLY SPIRIT CONVICTS AND CONVINCES** *Reread John 15:26-16:11.* Jesus tells us the the Holy Spirit was sent to convict the world of its sin and convince us to repent and turn our hearts to Jesus.

- In what ways does the Holy Spirit convict us, or even reveal to us, areas of sin in our lives?
- Why do you think we struggle with self-righteousness or trying to earn salvation? How does the Holy Spirit help expose this within us?
- Where do you see the Holy Spirit speaking judgment that seems different than what the world tells us is morally correct?

**THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDES AND SEALS BELIEVERS** *Reread John 16:12-15.* When we follow Jesus, we are given the Holy Spirit to help us in our times of need. He is there to lead us into truth and life, even when things seem murky and confusing.

- How does the Holy Spirit guide us through life? Have you ever experienced the Spirit's guidance? If so, what did that look like?
- *Read Romans 8:26-27.* How does it feel to know that the Holy Spirit is interceding, praying, on your behalf to God the Father.
- *Read Romans 8:16-17.* What does it mean for us to be a child of God and sealed by the Spirit? What does it feel like to know that God calls you a son or daughter?

## <u>PRAY</u>

Begin your time of prayer by reading Galatians 5:4-5. Read it slowly.

Now, use these verses to guide your prayer. To get you started...

**FOCUS** on the redemption and cleansing the comes from the Spirit. **THANK** Jesus for sending the Spirit to guide us and free you from sin. **CONFESS** where you have tried to be justified by your own works rather than the work of Jesus Christ.

**ASK** the Holy Spirit to fill you this week with His peace and truth.

#### \*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures:

Micha 3:8 Ephesians 1:13-14 Romans 8:2-6 Galatians 5:6

