



Holy Spirit  
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### **The Holy Spirit and New Life (John 3: 1-8)**

1. Read together John 3:1-8 and remind yourselves of the content from Sunday. What can you recall about this story? As the story was explored, what stood out to you, what was encouraging or challenging?
2. What insights do you have about the Holy Spirit as a result of reading the words of Jesus as he responded to Nicodemus?
3. Nicodemus was a Pharisee. Jesus spoke strongly about Pharisees in Matthew 23:27-28 in regard to authenticity and integrity.
  - a. How do you remain authentic when expressing your experience of Jesus and how do you represent him in your own life to others with integrity?
  - b. How can we ensure that our ministry activities represent the Lord well as a community of witnesses?
4. How does scripture use the image of light and dark (John 12:35, Ephesians 5:8-10, 1 Thessalonians 5:4-6)?
  - a. How do you relate to this?
  - b. Are you able to pinpoint when you moved from darkness to light? What was that experience like? Perhaps you would like to share some of your stories (testimonies) of how you came to faith in Jesus.
5. Jesus said ‘*no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.[a]*’ (John 3:3) Being born again refers to a relationship with Jesus so transformational that it is complete and whole. How might you describe what being born again means to a friend or acquaintance who was spiritually searching?
6. Ezekiel 36:27, Galatians 5:25, 2 Corinthians 17 -18 suggest that the Holy Spirit moves us to be who he wants us to be.
  - a. How have you experienced that in the past? Does an experience come to mind that you can share to encourage others?
  - b. How might the Holy Spirit be moving you presently?
7. Jesus said in John 3:6 ‘*The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going.*’ How do you understand this verse?
8. As we continue to move through this teaching series, what do you know now that you didn’t know before?
9. What have you learnt about yourself and your relationship with Jesus, the source of life whom the Holy Spirit glorifies?
10. What do you need to do in the next week in order to move forward in your relationship with Jesus? How can we help, support, and pray for you in this?