

## The Holy Spirit – Week 10

1. Generally illumination is the work of the Spirit in the life of the believer to:
  - (1) Believe the Bible
  - (2) Understand the Bible
  
2. Illumination is different from inspiration:  
It depends on inspiration and is not the production of new Scripture
  
3. Illumination is Necessary Because:
  - (1) We are polluted by sin and cannot understand God's revelation on our own
    - (A) Our natural depravity (John 3:19-20)
    - (B) Our corrupt affections (2 Peter 3:16; 1 Tim. 6:5; 2 Tim. 3:8)
    - (C) The work of the enemy (2 Cor. 4:4; Acts 26:18)
  - (2) We need the Spirit's assistance in
    - (A) Communicating spiritual light
    - (B) Freeing our mind from corrupt influences
    - (C) Implanting spiritual habits and principles
  
4. An Old Testament passage that shows illumination is Psalm 119:18  
In it, the object considered is:
  - (1) The "law" – that is, all of Scripture
  - (2) The "wonderful things" – high, hidden things we cannot understand
  
5. Two New Testament passages that show illumination are:  
Luke 24:45                      Ephesians 1:17-18
  
6. Means that the Spirit uses are: spiritual, disciplinarian, and ecclesiastical