

## Sermon Discussion Guide November 24, 2024

## Refresh

Read Ephesians 4:30 to get the Scripture passage back in your mind.

## **Discuss**

How does Ephesians 4:30 help reveal the Holy Spirit as a Person rather than some ethereal force? Where else do we find evidence of the Spirit being a Person in the Bible? Why is it important that the Spirit is not merely a force used by God but is God Himself?

What is the connection between grief and love? Although this question might seem odd, why should we be encouraged that our sin grieves the Spirit? What does the Spirit's grieving over our sin reveal about God's emotions toward believers?

Before hearing the sermon on Sunday morning, when was the last time you consciously thought of God's grief over your sin? Why do we often forget that our sin grieves God? How might we reorient our hearts and minds to remember this more regularly?

If the Spirit grieves over our sin, we ought to grieve over our sin as well. When was the last time you truly grieved over your sin? What does it look like for a believer to progressively grow in their grief over sin? Or, to put it another way, how can a believer become more easily grieved over their sin?

In what ways does this verse motivate us to put off sin and put on righteousness in our lives as believers? What are some godly disciplines we can establish or cultivate in our lives that will help to heighten these motivations?

In what ways does this verse give great security to the believer? Why is it so important to be regularly reminded of our security through the Spirit's work?