

**Helping Others Change**

Session #3:  
***Trusting God's Spirit***

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**Helping Others Change**

- *Using God's Word*
- Engaging God's People
- **Trusting God's Spirit**

Key idea:

- **The Spirit of God uses the Word of God in the lives of the people of God for the glory of God.**

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**Trusting God's Spirit**

Helper/Comforter/Counselor

- Jesus Christ
  - John 14:16; I John 2:1 (Advocate)
  - Greek = Paráklatos
- Holy Spirit
  - John 14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7
  - Greek = Paráklatos
- Encourage One Another
  - I Thes. 4:18; 5:11; Heb. 3:13; 10:25
  - Greek = Parakaléō

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### Trusting God's Spirit

- We are Ambassadors for Christ (2 Cor. 5:20)

- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the King
- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the King
- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the King

*Nothing of eternal value will happen without the Holy Spirit.*

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### Trusting God's Spirit

- Love, Know, Speak, Do

- Only God can bring about heart change.
- Galatians 3:1-9
  - You cannot do what only the Spirit can do.
- Galatians 5:16-26
  - You can better hear with no ears and speak with no tongue than affect heart change in your own strength.

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### Trusting God's Spirit

Whose responsibility is it?

*Galatians 6:1-5*

- v. 1 spiritual: pneumatikos...of the Spirit, believers,
- vv. 2, 5: Bear...bastazo...carry, support, endure
- v. 2: Burdens...baros...weight, overload
- v. 5: Load...phortion...normal cargo

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### Trusting God's Spirit

Whose responsibility is it?

- You must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility in the process.
- You must not take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for change.

*You cannot change people, the Spirit does it.*

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### Trusting God's Spirit

- Be filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18-21)
  - Under the \_\_\_\_\_ or control of (v. 18)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ others of God's goodness (v. 19)
  - Helping others \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 20)
  - Mutual \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 21)

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### Trusting God's Spirit

• We put up barriers to the Spirit when we...

- ...C \_\_\_\_\_ vs. C \_\_\_\_\_
- ...C \_\_\_\_\_ vs. C \_\_\_\_\_
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### Trusting God's Spirit

- **The Sword of the Spirit** (Eph. 6:16-17)
  - Not your sword.
  - His sword to use as He desires and decrees.
- **Pray in the Spirit** (Eph. 6:18-20)
  - Be ready to be surprised at what God will do.
  - "To move man, through God, by prayer alone." Hudson Taylor
- **The Windiness of the Spirit** (John 3:8)
  - Be wary of your propensity to control things.
  - Be ready to be surprised at what God will do.

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