**Fellowship CommUnity Group**

**Discussion Guide for Leaders**

*Series: From the Inside Out*

*Sermon: Holy Spirit Mission*

*10-4-19*

1. **Getting To Know Each Other** Ask everyone in the group to answer. Opening Question: **Briefly describe what your perfect camping trip would look like.**

* **Opening Prayer**. (Either leader, host home or someone who is willing to pray out loud)

*(Notes from message for reference only – use only as needed)*

**\*\***Use Sermon notes bulletin insert

**What is the Mission of the Holy Spirit?**

1) To bear witness to Christ and to testify about Christ.

2) To bring glory to Jesus Christ.

**How the Spirit Glorifies Christ**

1) He will guide believers into all truth.

2) He will not seek his own agenda.

3) He will provide spiritual interpretation to believers.

4) He knows and reveals the things that are yet to come.

5) He will declare the will of the Father and the Son.

**What undermines the mission of the Spirit?**

>>Self-glory undermines the mission of the Holy Spirit.

* A Spirit directed, Spirit controlled, Spirit filled life is not interested in self-glory, not interested in self-promotion.
* A Spirit controlled person is interested in Christ exaltation.

**Into The Text** (Leaders: This time is not meant to be application yet, this is time in the Word, before we seek to apply truth, we need to understand the truth. The section after this one will focus on application.)

1. Ask someone to read John 15:26-27. *Ask: Who sent the Helper to us? Why does Jesus refer to the Spirit as the Helper? Why is the Spirit referred to as the Spirit of truth? What did Jesus mean that the Spirit would bear witness/testify to himself?*
2. Ask someone to read John 16:12-15. *Ask*: *How does the Spirit guide us into all truth? What does it mean that he will not speak on his own authority? What does it mean that he will speak what he hears? How does the Spirit glorify Christ? How can the Spirit glorify Christ if there is only one God?*
3. Ask someone to read Philippians 2:9-11. *Ask: Who bestowed on Christ the name above all names? Who is glorified when every knee and every tongue confesses Jesus Christ as Lord? What role does the Spirit of God play in people confessing Jesus Christ as Lord?*

**Application & Discussion**

1. Say: **Let’s move to application and discussion**. Ask someone to read Psalm 115:1. *Ask: Why are we all so prone to self-glory? Can the Holy Spirit be involved in our own self-promotion and self-exaltation?*
2. *Ask: Is it possible that we can seek our own agenda even when trying to serve God? Is the Holy Spirit the source of that kind of service? Who is the source of that kind of service? How can we prevent self-glory?*
3. *Ask: Why are so many people today claiming the Spirit’s power through self-exaltation? Why are we all so prone to follow after that?*
4. *Ask: List some specific ways the Spirit wants to personally use you to glorify Christ. Try to use specific ways that apply to your life personally.*

**Closing Prayer Time**: **(Leader Say:**) Let’s close with a time of prayer. Ask the Spirit of God to use you to glorify Christ. Offer yourself to God as an instrument for Christ’s glory.

(*Ask someone to open, let people pray as they feel led, and then leader closes.)*