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**Day 1: The Whole Truth**

Review the video for this session.



**Engage**

Read [Acts 5:1–11](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ac5.1-11).

**Consider**

This is such a tragic story of two Early Church members! They sacrificed by selling their land, but then they lied about how much money they received for the land. The Holy Spirit was not upset about how much they gave to the church. He was upset that they lied to Him.

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| **QUESTION**  Have you ever been in a situation where someone told you a half-truth? |

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| **QUESTION**  How did you respond when you learned the full truth? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  Has this story changed how you view lying? Why or why not? |

**Activate**

Ask a friend you trust to hold you accountable when it comes to telling the truth. Ask them to confront you if you tell a lie or partial one.

**Pray**

Father, I’m grateful to be a part of Your family. Thank You for the wonderful people You have brought into my life who have helped me as a follower of Jesus. Help me to honor You with truth and to speak the truth to others. Amen.

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**Day 2: Deep Secrets**

**Engage**

Read [1 Corinthians 2:1–16](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Co2.1-16).

**Consider**

The apostle Paul wrote this letter to the church at Corinth. He told them that the Holy Spirit and the Father are one; the members of the Trinity are united. The Holy Spirit is all-knowing, which benefits us as we follow Jesus.

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| **QUESTION**  What does the Holy Spirit do according to these verses? |

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| **QUESTION**  Put verses [10–12](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Co2.10-12) in your own words. |

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| **QUESTION**  What are some ways you can benefit in your spiritual life from the Holy Spirit being all-knowing? |

**Reflect**

Sometimes the idea of the Holy Spirit being all-knowing can be a little scary or intimidating, but what if this characteristic of the Holy Spirit was one of your greatest resources?

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| **QUESTION**  [First Corinthians 6:19](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.1Co6.19) lets us know that we are the temple of the Holy Spirit. How might that change the way you live? |

**Activate**

Grab a journal and a pen, and ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you. Ask for the Holy Spirit to show you some of the wonderful things God has freely given you. Then sit quietly for a few moments. Write in your journal what comes to mind.

**Pray**

God, I believe You know all things. You know the deepest secrets. Would You teach me Your thoughts and wonderful truth? Help me to think the way You think. Help me understand my salvation and what it really means to be a follower of Jesus. Amen.

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**Day 3: Who Is in Control?**

**Engage**

Read [Romans 8:1–11](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro8.1-11).

**Consider**

The Holy Spirit is God. He is our greatest ally in the Christian life. At times it can feel like there’s a battle for control in our heart. Our sinful nature is attempting to control us, but the Holy Spirit is at work to lead us in a better way.

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| **QUESTION**  What does the life-giving Spirit of God free us from? |

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| **QUESTION**  What do these verses tell us about who the Holy Spirit is and what He does in our life? |

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| **QUESTION**  Who does verse [11](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro8.11) tell us raised Jesus from the dead? |

**Reflect**

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| **QUESTION**  How does knowing who the Holy Spirit is change how you view Him? |

**Activate**

On your phone, set reminders throughout the day. Have them titled, “Think Holy Spirit-controlled thoughts.” (See verses [5–6](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro8.5-6).) You can use sticky notes if you don’t have a phone. Every time you are reminded, pause what you’re doing and think of something that would please the Holy Spirit.

**Pray**

God, I confess that my flesh sometimes gets the best of me. I want to live and think in a way that pleases You. I want to be controlled by Your Spirit so that You can lead me to life and peace. Help me think in a way that pleases You. Help each of Your followers conquer their sinful nature by Your power. Amen.

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**Day 4: No Longer Slaves**

**Engage**

Read [Romans 8:12–17](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro8.12-17).

**Consider**

The Holy Spirit is active in your life, working to make your relationship with God the Father better. For reference, the word *Abba* is a term of endearment. It’s what a Jewish son or daughter at that time might call their dad.

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| **QUESTION**  What is the outcome for all who are led by the Spirit of God? |

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| **QUESTION**  In what way does the Holy Spirit affirm who we are? |

**Reflect**

The Holy Spirit is trying to teach and convince us that God sees us as His children, His family, not as outsiders or slaves.

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| **QUESTION**  Reread verse [14](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Ro8.14). What do you think it means to be led by the Spirit of God? |

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| **QUESTION**  Why do you think the Holy Spirit wants you to understand that you are a child of God? |

**Activate**

A lot of people, even fellow Christians, have a hard time really believing God loves them. Today, partner with the Holy Spirit to help convince others that they are indeed His children. One way you might do this is by sharing this devotion with a friend.

**Pray**

Father God, help me to better understand what it means to be Your child. Help me to better receive Your love and acceptance. I want to shake off feelings of guilt and shame. Help all Your followers, especially me, to be led by the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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**Day 5: Act Like It**

**Engage**

Read [Ephesians 4:17–32](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Eph4.17-32).

**Consider**

The apostle Paul gave several pieces of practical advice here. Our life should look different when we’re led by the Holy Spirit from when we were dominated by sin.

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| **QUESTION**  What do you see as the role of the Holy Spirit in this passage? |

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| **QUESTION**  What is Paul’s command to us in verse [30](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Eph4.30)? |

**Reflect**

Read the descriptions of living by the sinful nature and being led by the Spirit closely. Then ask the Holy Spirit to help you examine your heart.

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| **QUESTION**  Are any of the attitudes or traits of the sinful nature active in your life? If yes, which ones? |

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| **QUESTION**  Are the positive traits found in verses [29](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Eph4.29) and [32](https://ref.ly/logosref/Bible.Eph4.32) active in your life? How can you tell? |

**Activate**

Underline or highlight in your Bible or Bible app the list of the Spirit-led traits in these verses. Work your way through the list, asking for the Holy Spirit to help you in each area.

**Pray**

Father, I know I am a child of God. I know Your Spirit is renewing my thoughts and attitudes. I repent for the times that I have brought You sorrow. Forgive me for the times I let the sinful nature win. I want to live, behave, and think like someone who is a child of God. I want to respect You in every way. Amen.