**Growth Group Preparation Questions**

For the week of October 17, 2021

Fullness of the Spirit: Mystery of the Holy Spirit

**Big Idea**: The Holy Spirit is Mysterious.

**Goal**: Learn to expect & delight in the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

**Prepare**

This week we're asking God to teach us to expect & value the mysterious nature of the Holy Spirit. The personal preparation time & discussion are meant to help us flesh out what we've learned through the sermon and apply it more thoroughly in our lives together.

**Watch**Pastor Shawn's sermon, *The Mystery of the Spirit*, noting anything memorable and impactful as you go. You can take notes in the FBC app if you'd like.

**Read**Romans 12:1-2; Acts 15:22, 25; Proverbs 15:22; Read 1 Cor. 13:1

**Pray:**Father, teach us to expect & delight in the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

**Connect**

1. Describe the best road trip you've ever been on, one you're excited about coming up, or one you hope to take one day.

**Discussion** Take some time to personally reflect on these questions after viewing the sermon and before your G2. It could make for a great morning devotional time! You can type and save your responses in the FBC app privately if you would like.

1. What is your reaction to the mysterious nature of the Holy Spirit?
2. Share some stories of how the Holy Spirit has clearly led you & others when He has led you more ambiguously.
3. **Read 1 Cor. 13:4**. The Holy Spirit is patient in our transformation process. How does this influence how we respond to others' transformation process?
4. **Read Romans 12:1-2.**How is the Spirit transforming you right now?
5. **Read Acts 15:22, 25; Proverbs 15:22.**Describe the Holy Spirit's role in your decision making process.
6. Which do you want more, the Holy Spirit's direction or presence? Why?
7. The Holy Spirit is mysterious, yet there are things clearly shown about Him in Scripture. What questions remain for you about the holy Spirit and how might you pursue answers?

**Closing Prayer** This prayer section is a guide to help you process with God what you've learned about Him and yourself through the sermon, personal preparation time, and discussion, then seek the Holy Spirit's power in applying it in your life. Sharing these responses in your G2 will help others gain insight into God & themselves while also helping and encouraging one another toward growth.

**Admire**: What have you learned about God through this sermon, discussion, and Scripture? Praise Him for it.  **Possible response:**God, we praise you because You are mysterious and You are working in ways that we cannot see.

**Admit**: What has the Holy Spirit revealed to you as areas where you are falling short? Confess it to God.  **Possible response:**God, we confess there are times we look more for the Spirit's direction than His presence.

**Aspire**: What is a specific change you want to see in your life or action you and/or your G2 could take based in this time of interaction? **Possible Response:**God help us expect your mystery and delight in it.

**Ask**: Keep track of requests & celebrations from others in your G2 & pray for them.