

LifeGroup Study

Animated: Being Led

SERMON SUMMARY

Life is full of decisions. Too often, we navigate these moments relying entirely on our own resources. But Jesus didn't leave us to figure life out on our own. Jesus has given us the Holy Spirit as a Guide. This week, we explore what it looks like to tune out the noise and activate the incredible guiding power of the Spirit in our everyday lives.

KEY VERSE

Luke 12:12 - "For the Holy Spirit will teach you at that very hour what you ought to say."

SERMON NOTES

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. What ideas from the sermon caught your attention?
2. How have you experienced the Holy Spirit's guidance in your life? (ex. giving you peace, a feeling of caution, a red light, timely words)
3. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. Can you share a time when ignoring a subtle spiritual check or nudge forced you to take a long detour or learn a lesson the hard way?
4. Read John 10:27 and 1 Corinthians 2:14. For someone who wants to intentionally practice following Jesus, what spiritual habits or rhythms help us distinguish the Holy Spirit's genuine nudges from our own random thoughts, fears, or emotional impulses?
5. Read John 15:18-20. Why is navigating relational friction or pushback an essential part of growing as a disciple, rather than a definitive sign that we've misheard God's direction?
6. How does viewing your life as a dynamic, active assignment from Jesus change your willingness to step out of your comfort zone and take small, daily risks for the Kingdom?
7. Read Luke 12:11-12 and Acts 6:8-10. Can you relate to Stephen's experience here?
8. In what areas of your life (such as parenting, workplace conversations, or sharing your faith) do you find it hardest to rely on the Spirit's immediate teaching versus your own natural intellect and control?
9. Read Acts 20:20-24. Have you ever felt "compelled" like Paul is in this passage? How do we balance an undeniable internal spiritual prompting to do something with our very natural human desire for safety, predictability, and a guaranteed positive outcome?
10. Learning to be led by the Spirit is a practical skill that develops over time as we practice taking small risks and observing the results. What is a "small risk" in obeying a spiritual nudge—such as sending an encouraging text, pausing to pray for a coworker, or speaking up for someone—that you can intentionally take this week to practice flexing your spiritual discernment muscle?
11. In a modern world saturated with phone notifications, background noise, streaming media, and constant mental chatter, it is incredibly easy to drown out God's voice. What is one practical rhythm you can implement this week to "turn down the volume" of the world so that your soul is quiet enough to catch God's whisper?

CLOSING PRAYER

Go around the circle and have each person name one specific decision or situation they are currently facing where they haven't been asking for God's help. Have someone pray a simple, collective prayer of yielding the steering wheel over to the Holy Spirit's guidance.