**“THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”**

 **John 14:15-31**

***Sermon Review***

*What was the Main Point of the Sermon from Sunday?*

*What part of the Sermon did you find to be the most beneficial?*

***SMALL GROUP LESSON***

1. What people, things, or experiences in life bring you comfort and peace of mind?

1. How do the people you love (whether close friends, spouse, or family members) know that you love them?
2. What relationship in life brings you the most satisfaction? Why?

**John 14:15-31 (NLT2)**
15  “If you love me, obey my commandments. 16  And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. 17  He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn’t looking for him and doesn’t recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. 18  No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. 19  Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. 20  When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21  Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them.” 22  Judas (not Judas Iscariot, but the other disciple with that name) said to him, “Lord, why are you going to reveal yourself only to us and not to the world at large?” 23  Jesus replied, “All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them. 24  Anyone who doesn’t love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me. 25  I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. 26  But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you. 27  “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid. 28  Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again. If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am. 29  I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe. 30  “I don’t have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me, 31  but I will do what the Father requires of me, so that the world will know that I love the Father. Come, let’s be going.

***EXPLORE***

* + 1. What did Jesus say He would ask God to give His disciples? ([14:16](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+14%3A16))

* + 1. What did Jesus promise the disciples? ([14:18](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+14%3A18))

* + 1. What is the result of obeying Jesus’ commands and loving Him? ([14:21-23](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+14%3A21-23))

* + 1. What did Jesus say the Counselor would do? ([14:25-26](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+14%3A25-26))

* + 1. Why were the disciples to be glad that Jesus was leaving them? ([14:28](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+14%3A28))

***APPLY***

* 1. How does obedience flow out of a heart of love?
	2. How can love help you conquer sin in your life?

* 1. Have you ever prayed for the Holy Spirit to grow your passion for Jesus? Take time to do that right now.
	2. Why does Jesus call the Holy Spirit “another Counselor”? What does it say about who the Holy Spirit is and what he does?

* 1. How are we taught by the Holy Spirit?

* 1. What is the peace that Jesus has given us?
	2. What example has Jesus set for us in His relationship with God?

**Additional Thoughts:**

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