

## DAY 3 – THE PROMISE OF THE COMFORTER

*"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. 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."*

**—John 14:16-17 (NLT)**

Jesus makes them a promise. Once He leaves, another Comforter will come who will help them see and know the Father: the Holy Spirit (John 14:26). This Spirit will fill them as Jesus was filled, which will enable us to live out the character and nature of God on earth. Through the Holy Spirit, we remember the teachings of Jesus and are empowered to keep God's commandments, reflect His wisdom, and do the same works that Jesus did. The One who lived inside Jesus will now live inside us.

*The Holy Spirit not only empowers our actions, but also strengthens our message. Jesus says the Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:8). With the death of Jesus and the gift of the Spirit, our unbelief dies, and we are resurrected with Jesus to rule over all the powers of this world.*

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

**Some versions of the same passage in John refer to the Holy Spirit as the Comforter, others as the Advocate, the Counselor, or the Helper. Why do you think these different characteristics are given?**

**Which of these do you identify with the most? Or do you relate to all of them? How does knowing all these manifestations of the Holy Spirit help you?**