

Week 2 - One Called Alongside to Help

GROUP QUESTIONS

Read John 16:7

- I'm going to list a few things that we learn from this passage. Discuss as needed.
 - There is an advantage in having the one that Jesus is going to send.
 - The one Jesus is going to send is a him, a person (not a force, not a human, but a person to be interacted with, known, loved, communicated with, etc)
 - The one Jesus is going to send is a gift.
 - The one Jesus is going to send is a Helper.

HELPER

Read Acts 1:8, Matthew 3:16-17, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

- This week is not the week to get into a discussion about the specific spiritual gifts, that's next week. But for now what are some of the things that the Spirit helps us with according to these verses?
- There is a common thread that runs through the nature of the Spirit's help. Note that He is not given to just help us do whatever we want to do, but He is given for a purpose and a mission. Discuss.

COUNSELOR

Read John 16:13, 1 Corinthians 2:12, Psalm 73:23-24

- What does it look like for the Holy Spirit to Counsel, or Guide us?
- Have you received Counsel or Guidance from the Holy Spirit before? What did that look like for you?

COMFORTER

Read John 7:38-39, 1 John 4:13, Galatians 4:6, Romans 5:3-5

- How does the Holy Spirit comfort us?
- The Spirit is described as the 'One who comes alongside to Help'. How have you experienced His comfort?

"Spurgeon told of an evening when he was riding home after a heavy day's work. He felt weary and depressed, when as suddenly as a lightning flash he thought of 2 Corinthians 12:9, "My grace is sufficient for thee." He said, "I should think it is, Lord," and burst out laughing. He said that it seemed to make unbelief so absurd. It was as though some little fish, being very thirsty, was troubled about drinking the river dry, and the river said, "Drink away, little fish, my stream is sufficient for thee." ... Or, a man away up on a mountain saying to himself, "I fear I shall exhaust all the oxygen in the atmosphere." But the earth might say, "Breathe away, oh man, and fill thy lungs ever; my atmosphere is sufficient for thee." Little faith will bring our souls to Heaven, but great faith will bring Heaven to us" **Streams in the Desert, L. B. Cowman**

• What steps could you take this week, individually and as a group, to receive the Help, Counsel, and Comfort of the Holy Spirit?

Allow time for prayer requests - for members to share their needs and for others to meet them.

NEXT STEPS

WANT TO JOIN THE MVMT?

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SIMPLE CHURCH: PARTNERSHIP NIGHT

We believe church should be simple. For us that means that church is all about Partnering with Jesus, in Community, on Mission. If you've ever wanted to know what it looks like to Partner with Lighthouse Church, or you desire to get more involved around here, or you're just curious on what it looks like to continue to grow and mature as a follower of Jesus, we invite you to come to Simple Church! The next one will be on Sunday, September 28th, 2025. You can register here - https://lhchurch.churchcenter.com/unproxy/registrations/events/3110823