

Essential Beliefs: The Holy Spirit

Acts 2:1-21 Romans 8:22-27 John 16:7-15

1. How close do you want God to be to you?

- “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is _____ until it finds its rest in you.” - Augustine of Hippo (354 – 430 AD)

2. When you trust in Jesus, _____ in you.

- What do we call God living in us? _____

3. What is Pentecost?

4. From where do our essential beliefs come?

5. A Brief Old Testament History of the Holy Spirit:

- As God began to create the universe, “The Spirit of God was _____.” Genesis 1:2

The Hebrew word “rachaph” means _____
God and the Spirit of God were understood to be _____.

- After God created the earth, “The Lord God formed the man (adam) from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the _____, and the man became a living being. Genesis 2:7

The Hebrew word “ruach” means _____

What is God’s original intention?

- The Spirit of the Lord _____ Othniel, so that he became Israel’s judge. Judges 3:10

- Why did the ancient Hebrews continue to understand that God and the Spirit of God are one in the same?

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, _____.”
Deuteronomy 6:4

6. How and why did the understanding of the Holy Spirit change when Jesus came?

- The night before he would be crucified, Jesus told his disciples that he was leaving and said this, “It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, _____ will not come to you; but if I go, I will _____.” John 16:7

- The Day of Pentecost. Acts 2

“All of them were _____ and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.” Acts 2:4

What happened following Pentecost?

- “Do you not know that your bodies are _____ whom you have received from God? You are not your own.” 1 Corinthians 6:19
- Because of Jesus, what has been fully and radically restored?

7. How can I know that God, the Holy Spirit, lives in me?

8. Possible Next Steps: