

Surrender To The Holy Spirit – Ps Rob Buckingham

Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever been guilty of Bible-bashing or pointing a finger because of someone's sin? What was the outcome?
2. Loving people and praying for them – and allowing the Holy Spirit to do His work – can really take the pressure off. Discuss ways that this could help you in your workplace, school, University, or amongst your friends and family.
Read 1 Corinthians 5:12 and 2 Corinthians 5:19 in relation to this discussion.
3. The Holy Spirit's second work in the world is to prove them wrong about righteousness. People are made righteous purely through faith in the finished work of Jesus' death and resurrection, but many people believe they can please God by good works, going to church and not doing anything too bad. Have you ever thought that there may be other ways to be right with God? What finally brought you to a place of trusting Jesus alone for salvation?
4. The Bible makes it clear that the devil's works were defeated on the cross. Read and discuss John 12:31-33; 1 John 3:8; Colossians 2:15; Hebrews 2:14-15 and Romans 8:38-39. What do these Scriptures teach about how much power the devil still has?
5. The New Testament speaks about people who are at different stages of Christian maturity. Read 1 Peter 2:2; 1 Corinthians 3:2 and Hebrews 5:11-14 and discuss where you're at on your journey to maturity. Is there anything standing in your way in growing deeper in your relationship with Jesus?
6. True friends in Jesus' day would share anything in confidence and know that their confidence was safe. Are you that sort of friend to others or do you struggle with gossip? Is there a toxic friendship that you need to put secure boundaries around?
7. Discuss this statement from the sermon, "*A believer's relationship with Jesus today should be no less intimate than the relationships He had with His disciples before the cross.*"