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Tara Leigh began by encouraging us to pray.

What is prayer? Prayer is simply talking to God.

The scripture tells us to: **Rejoice** always, **pray** without ceasing, and **give thanks** (remember - like a hacking cough) in all circumstances for this ***is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.***
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

IT IS HIS WILL FOR US TO ALWAYS BE IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIM.

In light of this, let's **PRAY**.

Review 3 Foundations of the Trinity:

1. There is only one God.
2. There are three divine persons of the one true God.
3. The three persons are co-equal, co-eternal, and co-relational.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

GOD THE SPIRIT HAS ALWAYS EXISTED.

When do we first learn of God the Spirit? Genesis 1:2

1. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
2. And the earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep; and the **Spirit of God** was hovering over the surface of the waters.

THE SPIRIT IS THE ONE WHO WORKS IN US TO ACCOMPLISH HIS AGENDA and HIS AGENDA IS TO CONFORM US TO THE IMAGE OF THE SON.

THROUGH HIS WORK IN US, WE BECOME THE WAY THAT THE WORLD SEES WHAT GOD IS LIKE.

This is a big responsibility but the Spirit is the one who is actually doing it.

**GOD ACCOMPLISHES FOR US ALL THAT GOD REQUIRES OF US.
HE DOES THE DOING.**

And what God **initiates**, He will **sustain**, and He will **fulfill**.

This is so freeing because I don't have to do it on my own. He will do it through me.

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Ephesians 1:13-14

“In Him, you also when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were **sealed** with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the **guarantee** of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.”

What is this verse telling us:

1. We belong to God.
2. The Holy Spirit is given to us the moment we believe and submit to the truth about who God is.
3. Our salvation comes through Jesus.
4. We are sealed into the family of God and we are guaranteed our inheritance.

Romans 8:9

“However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.

What is this verse telling us:

1. The Spirit is the line of demarcation between those who belong to God and those who don't.

Remember:

1. He **puts His Spirit in us** and then **seals us** with that same Holy Spirit.
 - a. *Remind about King's seal:*
 - i. It is a sign of ownership and also a guarantee of security.
2. When God puts His spirit in us, we are marked as God's children forever.

YOU ARE A CHILD OF THE KING!
Hallelujah and Amen!!!!

What are some of the things the Holy Spirit does for us?

John 14:26

“But the **Helper**, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, He **will teach you** all things, and **bring to your remembrance** all that I said to you.”

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John 16:13

“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, **He will guide** you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative but whatever He hears, **He will speak**; and **He will disclose** to you what is to come.”

- He reminds us of our identity as God’s adopted children.
- He reminds us of our righteousness when we feel like failures.
- He reminds us of our right standing with God.
- He gives us gifts to use for the **edification** of the church. (Share thoughts about page 142.)

(new word)

“The Spirit has unique roles in guiding us but also in beautifying and perfecting and sustaining what the Father initiated. The Spirit sustains what the Father initiates and the Son fulfills in us.”

He is the one who changes my heart, my attitudes, my actions.

How does He do this?

The Holy Spirit transforms people from sinfulness to righteousness in a number of ways, including:

Justification

The Holy Spirit’s act of justification declares sinner’s innocent of sin and credits them with the righteousness of Christ. This is possible because of Christ’s perfect life, death, and resurrection are imputed to believers, while their sins are imputed to Christ.

Conviction

The Holy Spirit convicts’ people of sin and leads them to repentance. This process is like a judicial trial where the Holy Spirit presents evidence and exposes the depravity of a person’s life.

Sanctification

The Holy Spirit sanctifies people from the inside out, renewing their minds to be like Christ’s. This process is progressive and continues throughout a person’s life.

Transformation of Perspective

The Holy Spirit transforms people’s perspective from “ought to” to “want to” when it comes to obeying God’s word.

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Fruit of the Spirit

The Holy Spirit produces the Fruit of the Spirit in people, which includes: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

(Remember to share where I got this.)

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

The Third Person of the Trinity: GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

- changes my heart when I trust in Jesus for my salvation and redemption.
- changes my attitude when I renew my mind with right thoughts,
 - when I transform my mind to remember whose I am,
 - when I fix my eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of my faith.
- changes my actions when I am filled with Holy Spirit and live in
 - love,
 - joy,
 - peace,
 - patience,
 - kindness,
 - goodness,
 - faithfulness,
 - gentleness, and
 - self-control.