

Take Up Residence

- **What mundane/everyday task would you like to have someone help you with?** (Laundry, dishes, yard work, cleaning, etc.)

As Jesus prepares for His betrayal and death His disciples are still processing that Jesus is going to leave them soon. Jesus then makes them an unexpected promise that will forever change their lives.

Read John 14:16-19

- Jesus promises that He will send a helper to the disciples and that He is not leaving them as orphans. **What is the significance of these promises?**

Read Ezekiel 36:26-28

In the same way that Jesus' arrival was promised in the Old Testament, the same is true for the Holy Spirit. God's Spirit was present in the Old Testament, but He often resided in a physical temple, where God's people could only interact with Him periodically. Because of Jesus' death and His promise, all of this changed.

Read Exodus 25:8 & 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

- **What is the significance that God's Spirit now resides within every person who follows Jesus?**
- **How should this affect our daily lives as followers of Jesus?**

Read John 14:16-17

- **What are the implications of the truth that the Holy Spirit is not an "it" or a "force" but a Person that lives inside of us?**

Read John 14:26

- **In what ways does the Holy Spirit teach us?**

Read John 14:27

- **What does the Holy Spirit bring to those who He resides in? What type of peace?**

Read John 14:15, 21, 23 & Galatians 5:22-23

- **How can we know when the Holy Spirit is at work in a person's life?**