

PBC Growing in Christ

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Class Norms

A large black cross silhouette stands in a field of dry grass under a blue sky with light clouds. The cross is the central focus, with its vertical post and horizontal arms clearly visible against the sky. The field in the foreground is filled with dry, brownish grass, and the sky is a mix of deep blue and lighter, hazy tones with some wispy clouds.

- Place your microphone on mute.
- Use the chat room. Located in the upper right of the screen.
- Interact in the class just raise your hand. The instructor will take you off mute.
- Technology may not always work....please be patient.
- God is always in the midst
- Enjoy the class.

Growing in Christ

- Every day is an opportunity to grow in the word.
- Growing in Christ will tackle real life issues, while studying the bible for its answers.
- Examine challenges believers and non-believers face every day.
- Growing in Christ bible study will focus on how Christians face challenges and how the bible addresses these issues.



Growing in Christ

To equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up. Until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Ephesians 4:12-13 (NIV)



Study Scriptures

Understanding the Holy Spirit

Eph. 4:29-32; 5:1-2

Ephesians 4:29-32

29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 5:1-2

1 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children 2 and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Scripture

Understanding the Holy Spirit?

John 3:1-21

1 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.”

3 Jesus replied, “**Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.** 3:3 The Greek for *again* also means *from above*; also in verse 7.”

4 “How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!”

5 Jesus answered, “**Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.**



Study Scriptures

Understanding the Holy Spirit

John 3:1-21

Jesus and Nicodemus

6The only life people get from their human parents is physical. But the new life that the Spirit gives a person is spiritual. 7Don't be surprised that I told you, 'You must be born again.' 8The wind blows wherever it wants to. You hear it, but you don't know where it is coming from or where it is going. It is the same with everyone who is born from the Spirit." 9Nicodemus asked, "How is all this possible?" 10Jesus said, "You are an important teacher of Israel, and you still don't understand these things? 11The truth is, we talk about what we know. We tell about what we have seen. But you people don't accept what we tell you.



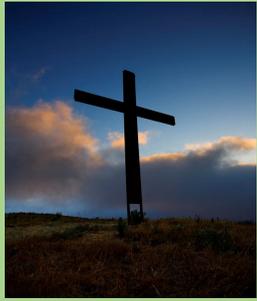
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12I have told you about things here on earth, but you do not believe me. So I'm sure you will not believe me if I tell you about heavenly things! 13The only one who has ever gone up to heaven is the one who came down from heaven—the Son of Man. 14“Moses lifted up the snake in the desert. It is the same with the Son of Man. He must be lifted up too. 15Then everyone who believes in him can have eternal life.” 16Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him would not be lost but have eternal life.

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John 3:1-21

Jesus and Nicodemus

17 God sent his Son into the world. He did not send him to judge the world guilty, but to save the world through him. 18 People who believe in God's Son are not judged guilty. But people who do not believe are already judged, because they have not believed in God's only Son. 19 They are judged by this fact: The light has come into the world. But they did not want light. They wanted darkness, because they were doing evil things. 20 Everyone who does evil hates the light. They will not come to the light, because the light will show all the bad things they have done. 21 But anyone who follows the true way comes to the light. Then the light will show that whatever they have done was done through God.

Study Scriptures

Understanding the Holy Spirit

John 3:1-21

- **Why is the spirit one of the two parts of salvation or rebirthing of sinners?**
- **What is Jesus teaching Nicodemus about the world that we can use today?**
- **Identify two ideas you pulled from this scripture?**

Scripture Understand the Trinity

Jesus Explanation of the Trinity

Matthew 28:18-20

18Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Scripture Understand the Trinity

Roles of the Trinity Romans 5:5-6

5And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

6You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Scripture Understand the Trinity

Jesus Affirms the trinity

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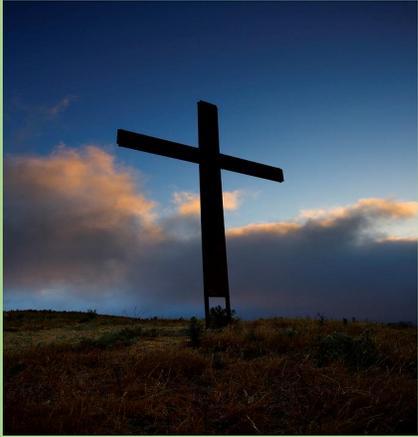
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- Read three passages above in regards to the trinity
- Reflect on the following questions:
- What are the parts of the trinity?
- What are the characteristic of each part of the trinity
- Why is it important for Jesus to be the trinity?
- What do you now understand about the holy spirit?
- Identity two ideas from these scripture?

Resources

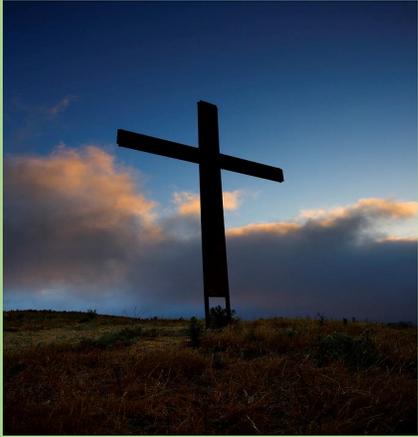
- [BIBLE-Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth](#)
- Bible.com





Bible Study Session Date of Truth of the Holy Spirit

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| 1 | May 2, 2021 | Know the Holy Spirit | John 14:26-27, 15:26; Psalm 119:11 |
| 2 | May 9, 2021 | Use of the Spirit | Eph. 4:29-32, 5:1-2 |
| 3 | May 16, 2021 | Strength Through the Spirit | 2Cor 12:9, Acts 13:4, 1John 3:24 |



Bible Study Session Date of How to Share Christ

1 April 25, 2021	Our Commission	Matthew 28:1-20; 2Cor. 5:16-21
2 Open	Start with Prayer	1Timothy 2:1-8
3 Open	The Message	Romans 10:8-17
4 Open	Live the Message	Colossians 3:1-3,12-17
5 Open	Share the Message	Acts 17:16-18,22-23,30-31
6 Open	Trust God to Work	Matthew 13:3-8,18-23



**God Bless
You!**

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