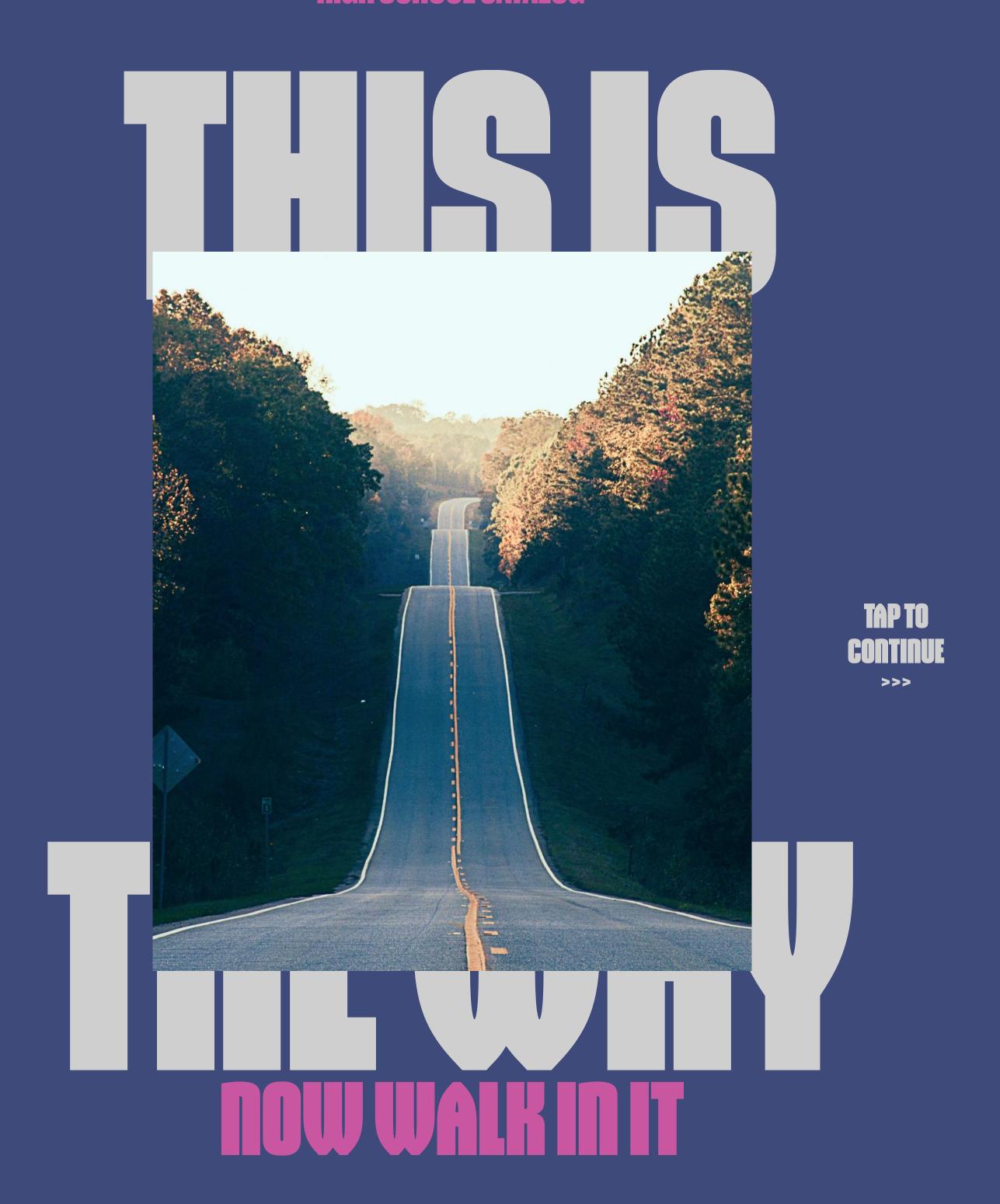
HIGH SCHOOL CATALOG



JESUS IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH. AND THE LIFE.

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In Part 1, "But The Bible Says," we learned what truth is and isn't, why it matters, and how we can identify it.

In Part 2, "To Walk This Way," we focused on how we can apply truth to ourselves and the world.

It's time for Part 3: "Now Walk In It." Knowing truth and following it aren't always easy, so when Jesus returned to heaven, He sent someone special in His place to guide and help us — to help us walk.

The Holy Spirit. The Advocate. God's own Spirit, who is loving, powerful, and wise. We can know Him just like we know God and Jesus, and when we do, He can comfort us when we need support and convict us when we need correction.

But the Bible says to walk this way — now walk in it.

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"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32

"But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come." John 16:13

"Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

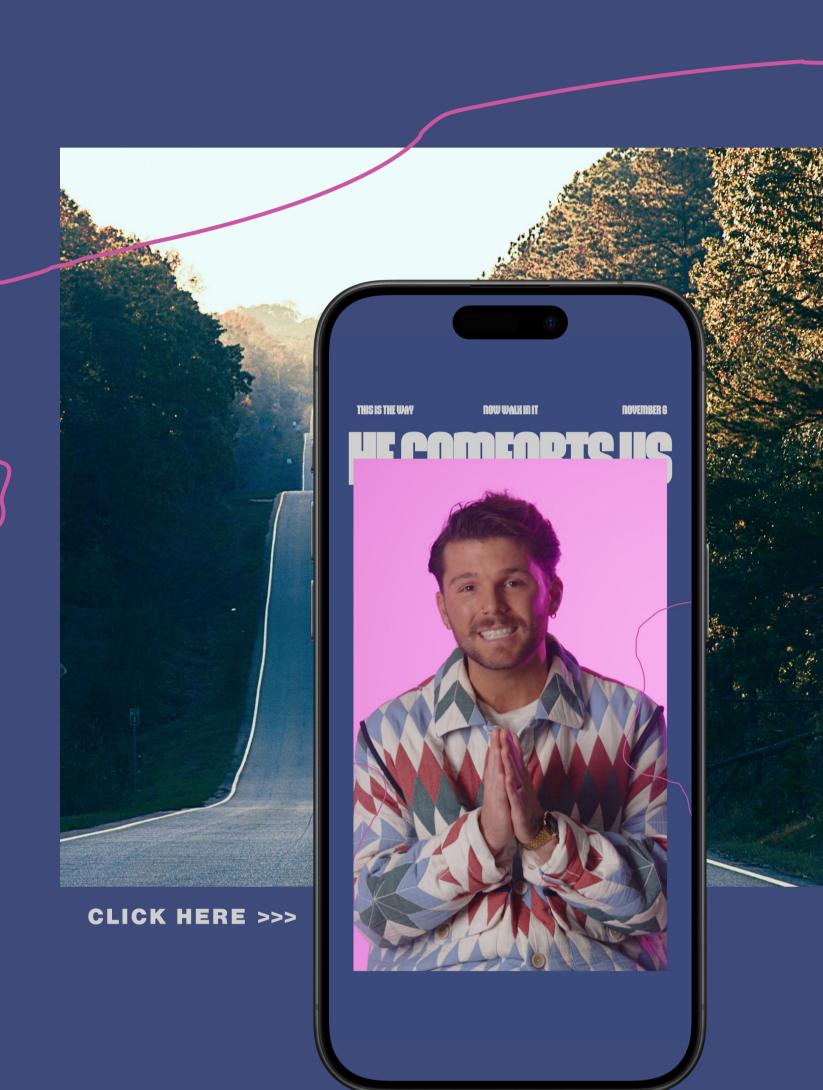


Discussion Goal: To understand who the Holy Spirit is and why we need to know Him.

START TALKING (CONVERSATION STARTERS)

- Who is someone you know really well? How long have you known them?
- If you could spend 24 hours with anyone one person living or deceased who would it be? What would you do together?

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THINK IT THROUGH (AND TALK IT OUT)

LEADER TIP

The goal of group discussion is to have youth talk about God, ask and wrestle with questions, and to grow and own their faith. If your group time is short, make sure to discuss the three questions below. Additional questions are listed below.

- God is three persons in one God the Father, Jesus the Son, and God's personal presence, the Holy Spirit. These three persons are called the Trinity. Who have you heard the about the most? What do you know about that person?
- Read Acts 1:1-8 and John 14:15-17. What do you learn about the Holy Spirit from these verses? How does the Holy Spirit help us walk in truth?
- Read John 16:7-11. Why did Jesus say he needed to "go away" back to heaven after He was crucified? What does this show you about the importance of the Holy Spirit in our lives?



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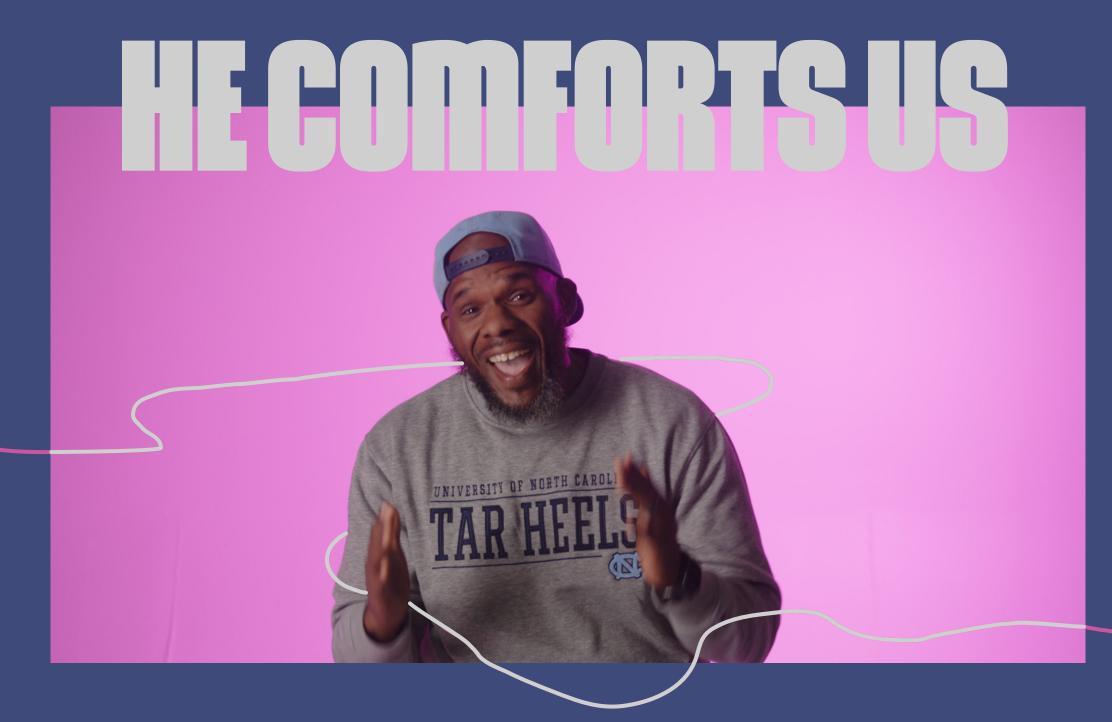
God, thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit — our helper, guide, and friend. Help us to notice Him working in our lives on a daily basis. In Jesus' name, amen.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

- The Bible talks about the gifts of the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:1-11) and the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). Both are given by God from the Holy Spirit to each believer. What's the difference between gifts and fruit?
- What do you think people mean when they say things like "the Spirit moved them"? (The Holy Spirit's job, as God's presence, is to uniquely equip us with gifts, power, wisdom, and anything else we might need to follow and obey God. The Holy Spirit helps us to be more like Jesus.)
- does this tell us about God?

The Holy Spirit is God's personal presence given to guide, comfort, and strengthen us. What

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Discussion Goal: To understand how to receive the comfort the Holy Spirit offers.

START TALKING (CONVERSATION STARTER)

- What's your go to comfort food?
- You've just had a really hard day. How do you cheer yourself up?



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THINK IT THROUGH (AND TALK IT OUT)

LEADER TIP

The goal of group discussion is for youth to talk about God, ask and wrestle with questions, and grow and own their faith. If your group time is super short or busy, at least make sure to discuss the questions below. Additional questions are also listed.

- The Holy Spirit helps us walk in truth and follow Jesus. The same Holy Spirit God's personal presence who lives inside of us also comforts us when walking in truth is hard.
 - What comes to mind when you think of the word comfort?
 - What comfort does the Holy Spirit give us? (Read John 14:16 (NIV, KJV) and John 16:5-8 (NIV, KJV) in both the KJV and NIV translations.)
- Read Romans 8:26. How does knowing the Holy Spirit helps you in your weakest moments make you feel? How does the Spirit bring comfort when you don't know what to say or do?
- Sometimes seeking God and walking in truth can lead to discomfort. How can you do something uncomfortable and receive God's comfort at the same time? (Leader Tip: Doing the right thing isn't always easy, but God equips us to do it and offers us strength and peace in the middle of our situations.)



God, thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to be our Advocate and comforter, especially when life doesn't go as we plan. Help us remember we are never alone and can find peace and strength in Your Spirit during tough times. In Jesus' name, amen.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

- Pastor Steven said, "Jesus suffered to save us from our sin, not our suffering." (Rescue Your Testimony) Read John 16:33. When you aren't getting answers or what you expect, how can you still take comfort?
- What's an area of your life where you need comfort not the reassurance that it will all be okay, but the promise that God is with you and will never leave you? What comfort has the Holy Spirit already given you that you need to take hold of? (e.g., the Bible, worship music, the body of Christ, talking to God, etc.)

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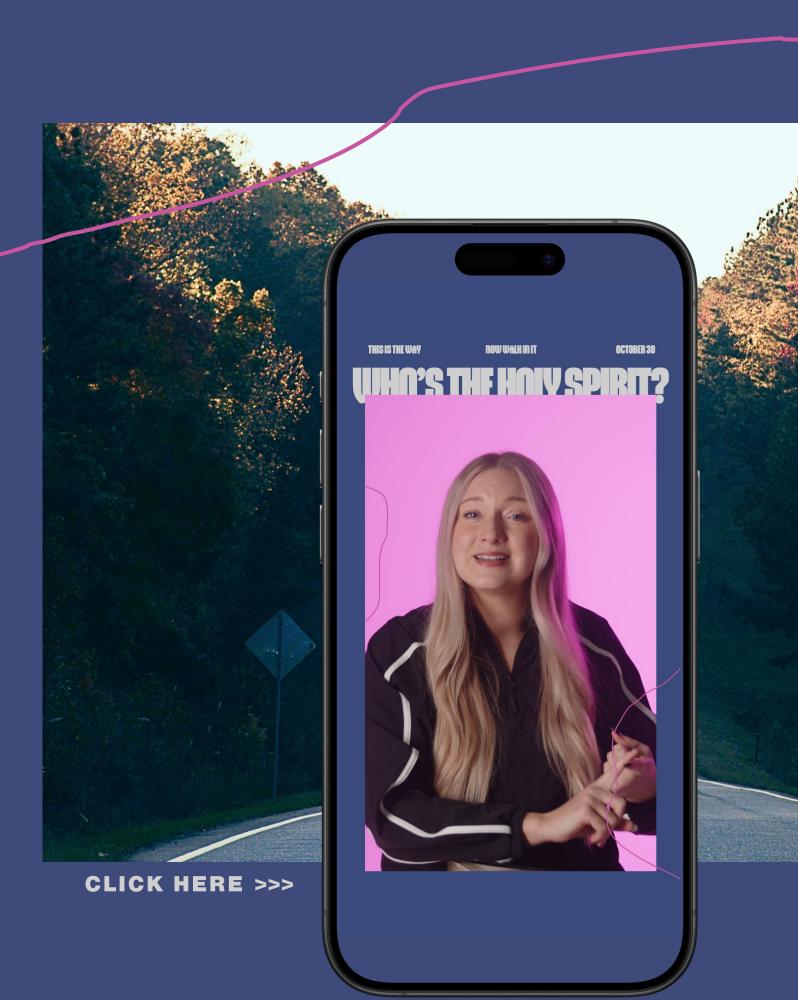


Discussion Goal: To accept the conviction the Holy Spirit brings.

START TALKING (CONVERSATION STARTER)

- Have everyone write down as many words or phrases as possible in three minutes, starting with the letter "C". When time runs out, have each student read their list. A point is earned for each unique answer!
- Would you rather always follow Google Maps' exact instructions or get to your destination without using any directions at all?

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THINK IT THROUGH (AND TALK IT OUT)

- Read Romans 3:23 and 1 John 1:5-10. We all sin and turn away from God's truth. When we do, the Holy Spirit will convict us. What's the difference between conviction and condemnation?
- Read <u>2 Samuel 12:1-13</u> and <u>Psalms 51:10-12</u>. God used a prophet to convict David of his sin. Sometimes the Holy Spirit works the same way, convicting us through others. How do you think the Holy Spirit uses people or situations to help us see when we've messed up? How should we respond when we recognize we need to change?
- What does it tell you about God's love for us that He would convict us or point out when we're doing something wrong?
 - Conviction might not feel like love at first, but how can it be a way of protecting us and helping us make wise choices?



God, thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit who convicts us when we walk away from Your truth. Help us to stay close to You through the Spirit and to seek His help whenever we're struggling. In Jesus' name, amen.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

- How can you seek out the Holy Spirit's help in deciding something is true? (Ask yourself these three questions: What is _____ saying? What does the Bible say? What's true about this, and what's not?)

 Have you ever felt the conviction of the Holy Spirit when you had turned away from God's truth?
- Did you accept the correction or ignore it?