

Small Group Guide:

Nov. 13th Sermon: **Developing a Spirit Led Life** on three passages *Acts 13:1-2; 15:16:6-8* (See sermon notes)

REFLECTION:

What have been the most difficult decisions you have made? Why?

In what ways did you seek God's leading and where may have you failed to do so?

Begin by re-reading the passages and reviewing your notes from this week's message. Circle those words, points and phrases that stand out to you. Contemplate 'why' the HS might be drawing you to them? Share with each other.

What intrigued you or encouraged you most about this week's message on the Holy Spirit leading our life?

DISCUSSION:

When Pastor Kevin talked about 'who' can be led by the Spirit, did this affirm you? Why or why not?

What are the three ways mentioned in the message that the Spirit leads us?

Which is most familiar to you and how has it served you to know God's leading?

Which of the three seems most difficult? Why?

Do you see one being more prevalent or important over the others? Why or why not?

What outcomes have you had from following these pathways to the Spirit's lead?

GETTING REAL & PERSONAL:

Are you struggling with a specific decision right now where you long to have the Spirit's leadership? Share as much as you are comfortable what they are and what you need God to reveal or the Spirit to discern.

As you seek the Holy Spirit in these areas, where do you most need to re-align?

- Investing time in reading and knowing God's Word on a matter
- Clearing distractions and seeking God more earnestly
- Involving other believers to discern God's will on a matter
- An openness to God's spontaneous interruption and opening the hand to God

FURTHER STUDY:

Books on the topic:

Spiritual Disciplines Handbook by Adele Ahlberg Calhoun, Part 2, 4 & 7

Soul Feast: An Invitation to the Christian Spiritual Life by Marjorie j. Thompson, Chapter 2,5 &

SERVING SNAPSHOT:

This December our church is joining with Alaska Christian College to help promote funds for student scholarships.

Many of the ACC students are unable to support their educational and spiritual goals at ACC due to lack of resources, broken homes, poor life choices, and families that are unable or unwilling to support them.

ACC helps bring healing, hope and the support and encouragement needed to pursue academic goals.

You can make a difference in Western Alaska this year by stopping by the Scholarship Christmas Tree and choosing one of the student cards. The tree will be put up in the lobby area this Christmas season. We ask that you pray for that student throughout the year. If possible, cut off the bottom portion of the card and send it with your gift to the address listed on the card.