

Generous Disciples - Wk 1

Read Romans 8v1-17

1. How do you understand the nature of scripture? Reflect on the Tom Wright quote from 'Why Read the Bible? A little book of guidance' (See below)

2. **Read Romans 8v1-17** - as you read it what strikes you about the passage?

3. What is your experience/understanding of the Holy Spirit?

4. How does our thinking change if the work of the spirit is understood in a daily practical way, rather than gathered church way?

5. How do we stay in step with the spirit in our everyday life?

“The Bible does indeed offer plenty of information, but what it offers in a more primary way is energy for the task to which God is calling his people. Talking about the inspiration of the Bible is one way of saying that that energy comes from the work of God’s Spirit. Equipped for every good work; there’s the point. The Bible is breathed out by God (the word for ‘inspired’ is literally ‘Godbreathed’) so that it can fashion and form God’s people to do his work in the world...the Bible isn’t there simply to be an accurate reference point for people who want to look things up and be sure they’ve got them right. It is there to equip God’s people to carry forward his purposes of new covenant and new creation. It is there to enable people to work for justice, to sustain their spirituality as they do so, to create and enhance relationships at every level, and to produce that new creation which will have about it something of the beauty of God himself.”

Small groups meet in church members' homes weekly to pray, discuss the bible and develop great friendships sometimes over food together.

We have a number of small groups located in and around the area. All you have to do to join is [talk to us](#)! We can put you in touch with the small group leader who will be more than happy to invite you along to their group. Go along and try it out!