Pray together to enter the study
Read text aloud (2-3 verses per person)

FRAME *2 min to read aloud*

An eye-witness account of one of Jesus' speeches, written by His follower, John.

In v1 Jesus is referencing an idea from the Old Testament: The Spirit (or the Holy Spirit) is from God and helps believers to keep His commandments.

In v25, 'the Father' is another word for God, Jesus is saying that Himself, God, and the Spirit are all parts of God.

OBSERVE

5 min to reflect alone, 5 min to all share

Imagine yourself in the story. What do you see, hear, and smell?

Look for repeated words, comparisons, contrasts, and cause and effect.

Note characters, relationships, locations, time, actions, and reactions.

INTERPRET

3 min to gather q's, 12 min to discuss

Develop some questions based on your observations. What stirs your curiosity?

Imagine the perspective of the people in the scene.

Answer your questions from the text and context.

SUMMARIZE & SPOTLIGHT

1 min to read the summary aloud

Jesus talks about how He will send the Holy Spirit to help and advocate for those who follow God's teaching.

3 min to individually write a main point
2 min for all to share, end with leader

WEEK 11: LEFT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

John 14:15 – 31a (NIV)

15 "If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will
give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit
of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows
him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not
leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see
me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that
day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in
you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves
me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love
them and show myself to them."
22 Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show
yourself to us and not to the world?"
23 Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will
love them, and we will come to them and make our home with
them. 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These
words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.
25 "All this I have spoken while still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy
Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will
remind you of everything I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my
peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your
hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

28 "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you
loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is
greater than I. 29 I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does
happen you will believe. 30 I will not say much more to you, for the prince of
this world is coming. He has no hold over me, 31 but he comes so that the
world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has
commanded me.

INVITATION

5 min for individual reflection, 5 min to share as a group

As healthcare workers we have to advocate, help, and comfort others. How is this passage comforting to you? What is one way you could regularly be reminded of God's comfort for you this week? Write your application from the passage below:

CONCLUDE

5 min to pray for each other and your applications

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