



**Unit 6: The reign of Christ in a rebellious world**

- (63) Only God can provide s Only God can provide satisfaction for our sins. There is no human process.
- (66) The reign of Christ is the reign of God exercised in human history.
- (68) Jesus calls into being a new family, the new family is built around those who do God's will.
- (70) The kingdom of God cannot be separated from the Gospel. The Spirit mediates the coming reign of God through the Gospel so Christ rules now by his word of promise.

**Question** – What does it look like for Christ to reign in your life?

**Unit 7: The justice of Christ in a self-justifying world**

- (73) In the Reformation worldview, you glorified God and served other people through your work but you also rest for the glory of God.
- (73) We are too often busy because we want to prove ourselves, to God, to others, to ourselves.
- (74) If you are trying to prove yourself, then you will always be busy.
- (76) The righteousness of God is a gift to us. God declares us righteous even though we are not righteous.
- (79) We are declared righteous by faith alone. We cannot initiate it, we can contribute nothing to it.

**Question** – In what ways do you still struggle in proving yourself to others? Why is it important to understand the distinction between justification and sanctification?

**Unit 8: The life of the Spirit in a powerless world**

- (89) We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life.
- (90) We are evil by nature because of the original sin that corrupts us all.
- (91) Regeneration is the granting of spiritual life so we can respond to the gospel with faith and repentance.
- (93) The Holy Spirit regenerates people through the preaching of God's Word.
- (95) In biblical terms sanctification is a past, present and future activity.
- (97) The "old man" has the power and ability to produce evil thoughts and actions. The "new man" has the power and ability to produce religious, spiritual, and moral actions.

**Question** – Can you identify areas in your life where the work of Spirit is leading you to repentance and faith? What passage of Scripture has the Holy Spirit use lately to make you more like Christ? How has God called you to help others grow in maturity to Christ?

**Unit 9: The hope of the Spirit in a hopeless world**

- (104) Death is something we cannot control or avoid.
- (107) The theme of hope is pervasive in the New Testament, new birth is to bring a living hope.
- (108) Eschatology is, if you like, the doctrine of re-creation. The old is not done away with but purified and renewed.
- (109) "Hope that is seen", says Paul, "is no hope at all. The consequences of hope are patience and long-suffering.
- (111) Meaning is found in relationship with God. God will re-order the world.
- (117) Through the Spirit we are already enjoying something of the life

**Question** – Why is biblical hope important in the Christian life? How have you offered hope lately to people who are sinking under the weight of sin, suffering, and affliction?