1. **Luke 3:15-16**

* What were the people questioning “in their hearts”?
* Reflect on **verse 16**, what does John’s response say to you about who Jesus is?
* What does John say Jesus will “baptize you” with?
* What comes to your mind when you here “fire” in this passage?
* **John 1:12-13, John 3:3-5** and read the **footnote** on **John 3:3** about “born again” vs “born from above” and share a thought about what comes to mind.
* Why is it important to be “born of water and spirit” according to Jesus?
* **John 4:7-14**
* What might this “living water” Jesus speaks about be?
* **Exodus 17:1-7, Numbers 20:8-11**
* What were the people grumbling about in these **Old Testament** passages?
* What did Moses do to resolve the issue?
* **1 Corinthians 10:1-4**
* What parallels can you draw between what happened to the “people” and this “rock” of the **Old Testament** and Jesus in the **New Testament**?
* **John 7:37-39**
* What is the “living water” according to the scriptures?
* **John 14:25-26, John 15:26-27, John 16:7**
* According to the Scriptures, who “sends” the “Spirit”?
* When do we profess this truth of the Catholic faith?
* **St. Cyril of Alexandria** (378 AD – 444 AD) *Commentary on Luke Sermon 11*

“For ‘there is one Lord Jesus Christ,’ as it is written. But this we affirm: that He was not separate from Him, and by Himself when baptized and made partaker of the Holy Spirit: for we confess that ‘of His fulness have all we received.’ For the Holy Spirit indeed proceeded from God the Father but belonged also to the Son. It is also called the Spirit of Christ, though proceeding from God the Father. And to this Paul will testify, saying, at one time, ‘They that are in the flesh cannot please God, but you are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit of Christ, He is none of His’ and again, ‘But because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearths crying, Father, our Father.’ The Holy Spirit therefore proceeded indeed as I said from God the Father, but also His Only begotten Word, as being both by nature and verily Son, and resplendent with the Father’s dignities ministered It to the creation and bestowed It on those that are worthy.”

* **Catechism of the Catholic Church 245-248**
* Please share a message or thought that stood out to you today in this study with the group.