RSVP: Invitation to Relationship Sunday, June 9, 2019

I. Synopsis

We are invited into a relationship with God as our Father. This invitation is extended to all who are created by God The Father. God The Son's sacrificial love demonstrated on the cross makes this relationship a possibility. The role of the Holy Spirit is often not understood. This concluding message is an invitation to a relationship with the Trinity through the power of the Holy Spirit.

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II. Ice Breaker Question

What is your relationship with your father? What did your father teach you about love?

III. **Scripture**: John 14:15-20 (ESV)

IV. Discussion Questions

1. What do you think Jesus meant by the statement, "I will not leave you as orphans" (John 14:18, NIV)? How is this possible?

2. How would a legalistic relationship with God The Father be demonstrated in a person's life? How might this person view God The Father? How would a tender love relationship with God The Father be demonstrated in a person's life? How might this person view God The Father?

3. Jesus states the role of the Holy Spirit is "Counselor" (vs. 16). N.T. Wright defines counselor as "giving people strength and energy to live for God and witness to His love in the world" (62). Knowing the Holy Spirit is God's divine presence dwelling within us this means the Counselor is with us all the time. How could this impact how your view of life's circumstances?

Wright, Nicholas Thomas. John for Everyone Part Two; Westminster John Knox Press: Louisville, KY, 2004.