



COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: The Holy Spirit is a person to know not a force to capture.

HEAD CHANGE: The Holy Spirit is not only a person but an equally infinitely divine person like Jesus Christ.

HEART CHANGE: When you receive the Holy Spirit, you receive the Father and the Son too.

LIFE CHANGE: Believe in Jesus and obey the Holy Spirit.

OVERVIEW

The Holy Spirit Working Through Us

How did Jesus do everything that Jesus did? There are two dominant theories that exist to answer that question, and neither are entirely inaccurate but one of them is most clear. He did it by the power of the Holy Spirit. Before the Holy Spirit rested upon Jesus after His water baptism, Jesus did not do much. However, after he was anointed with the Holy Spirit; He was teaching with authority, working miracles, building disciples, and bringing Heaven to Earth. Here is more good news; the same Holy Spirit that empowered Jesus wants to empower you. Martin Lloyd Jones said, "If we have what the first Christians had, why do we not do what they did? We must conclude that either God gave them more than He has given us, or we have failed to avail ourselves of what He has given us." Let's continue to avail ourselves to all that God has made available to us.

"...believe in the evidence of the miraculous works I have done, even if you don't believe me. Then you will know and understand that the Father is in me, and I am in the Father."

-John 10:38 (NLT)-

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you in this teaching and why?
2. How dependent on the Holy Spirit are you? Explain?
3. What are some motivations, both good and bad, for wanting the Holy Spirit in your life.
4. When people look at your life, how do you want them to see you? How are you different from the non-Christians around you? What marks you as different from non-believers?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Father, reveal the gifts that you have given me and the purposes for which you have created me. Show me how I may begin using those gifts to serve others. May I be humble, secure, and strong as I pursue everything you have for me. In Jesus' name, amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!