Series Break: Spirit-Empowered Life

ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

- 1. What is one strange, but true fact about yourself?
 - 2. What's your favourite dish to cook for friends?

WORD

Acts 1:8 (ESV)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

How can we experience a Spirit-empowered, Spirit-filled life? By learning, knowing, understanding and believing who the Holy Spirit is. The Holy Spirit is God himself, God is three in one: The Holy Spirit is the third person in the triumph God. The Holy Spirit was mentioned a lot of times by Jesus in the fourth gospel, in the Book of John.

- God the Father the Creator meaning the source of everything.
- God the Son Jesus Christ the Redeemer.
- God the Holy Spirit who dwells among us.

What does it mean to be Spirit-empowered life? He guides us every day. When we make room for the Holy Spirit and walk in Him, He will help us live a life that reflects our creator God the Father and to be like Christ Jesus our Lord.

As we live in the flesh we are limited, but when we make room for the Holy Spirit and walk with him, He gives us unbelievable strength and energy to do God's will and to glorify him who created us.

Why do we need to be Spirit-empowered life?

When the Father give us the Holy Spirit through Christ our Lord. We will receive the *gift* and the *fruit* of the Spirit.

- The Gift of the Spirit (1 Corinthians 12) is the power of God manifests here on earth through us by the help of the Holy Spirit.
- The Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5) is the character of God manifests here on earth through us by the help of the Holy Spirit.

DISCUSSION

Do you see the Holy Spirit as a real person? Do you believe He is God? Do you speak to Him and hear from Him on a regular basis?

WORD

Acts 1:4b-5 (NIV)

... "Do not leave Jerusalem, **but wait** for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.

5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

How can we have a Spirit-empowered life?

1.Be baptize in the Holy Spirit.

"5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." John 1:5

2.Receive the power of the Holy Spirit . But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you,...Acts 1:8a

3.Be a witness

and **you will be my witnesses** in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**Acts 1:8b**

You cannot be empowered or filled with the Holy Spirit just by knowing Jesus Christ. You need to have that personal encounter, personal relationship. So that you can received the promised, God the Father give the Holy Spirit to us through Christ our Lord.

We need the Holy Spirit to empower us in our daily life so that we don't gratify the passion and desire of the flesh but we overcome the challenges and troubles that this world throw at our face.

DISCUSSION

The Holy Spirit is our "daily guide" for God's will in our lives. How does He help you know God's will as you live each day? What are the ways that He helps you?

LIFE APPLICATION

Be baptize with the Holy Spirit if you are not yet baptized so you will be empowered and will have a Spirit empowered life. It is impossible to live the Christian life apart from the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is accompanied by the manifestation of spiritual gifts. In the biblical accounts of baptism in the Holy Spirit, the most common spiritual gifts manifested is the gift of tongues. If you desire the gift of tongue, ask and you will receive it.

VERSE TO MEDITATE ON

Isaiah 44:3
For I will pour water on him who is thirsty,
And floods on the dry ground;
I will pour My Spirit on your descendants...

PRAYER

Share your answered prayer. Pray for one another and throughout this week.

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