



# “The Power of the Spirit Filled Life”

On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command:

“Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptised with water, but in a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.....**But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you**; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:4-5, 8

## The Power of the Holy Spirit Acts 1:4-5, 8

**dunamis (doo'-nam-is)**; a force; a miraculous power, the explosive **power** of God.

## The Holy Spirit gives you power to...

### 1. To share Christ **BOLDLY**

*My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a **demonstration of the Spirit's power**, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power. 1 Corinthians 2:4-5*

### 2. When you are **WEAK**

*In the same way, the Spirit **helps us in our weakness**. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but **the Spirit himself intercedes for us** with groans that words cannot express. Romans 8:26*

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for **my power is made perfect in weakness**." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me... For when I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12:9-10*

### 3. To have **HOPE** in a hopeless world

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may **overflow with hope** by the **power of the Holy Spirit**. Romans 15:13*

### 4. To experience all the **FULLNESS** of God

*I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with **power through his Spirit** in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have **power**, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge - that you may be filled to the measure of **all the fullness of God**. Ephesians 3:16-19*

## Next Steps...

Thinking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These questions and scriptures can help you take the next step.

### Read Acts 1:4-5, 8

In this passage Jesus tells us that when the Holy Spirit comes into our lives, we not only feel His presence, but He also gives us His power.

- Describe a time when you were aware of the Holy Spirit in your life.

### Read 1 Corinthians 2:4-5

These verses show us how the Holy Spirit gives us the power to share Christ boldly to others.

- When have you had a conversation with someone and the Holy Spirit gave you the words to speak?
- Who is the Holy Spirit prompting you to boldly share Christ with?  
What has been holding you back from sharing Christ?

### Read Romans 8:26 and 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

According to these scriptures, the Holy Spirit gives us power when we are weak.

Think about a time when you were weak and the Holy Spirit gave you power to overcome your weakness.

### Read Romans 15:13 and Ephesians 3:16-19

These verses show us that we receive hope and the ability to experience the fullness of God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

- How has experiencing the power Holy Spirit in your own life affected your relationship with Christ?
- What are some areas of your life that you are relying more on your strength rather than the power of the Holy Spirit?
- How can you begin today to rely more on the power of the Holy Spirit?

## Prayer Tips...

These can guide your time alone with God each day. Praying with a friend or a small group might help you stick to it.

Pray and ask God to help you experience the power of the Holy Spirit in your life in deeper way. Open your heart up to the Holy Spirit.

Confess those areas in your life where you are struggling. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the strength to overcome these weaknesses.

Talk to God about any concerns you have and any trials you may be enduring. Allow the Holy Spirit to instil within you a spirit of hope.

Allow the Holy Spirit through prayer to strengthen and enrich every area of your life so that you may experience the fullness of God.

Remember, He's praying for you too!