



LIFE GROUP HANDOUT
March 16 – Every Step Empowered by the Holy Spirit
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Anchor Thought:

God didn't just save you—He empowers every step of your life through the Holy Spirit.

Opening (3–5 min)

Icebreaker Question:

Have you ever tried to fix or do something without the right power source (like a mower with no gas)? What happened?

Transition Thought:

Many believers love God and believe His Word—but try to live a supernatural life in natural strength. That's exhausting and ineffective. Jesus never intended that.

 **Acts 1:8 (NKJV)**

“You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...”

Key Truth #1: We Are Called to Walk in the Spirit (5 min)

Walking in the Spirit is not automatic—it's intentional.

What happens when we walk in the Spirit?

- Fruit is produced (Galatians 5:22–23)
- Prayer is strengthened (Jude 1:20)
- Speech is guided (1 Cor. 14:14–15)
- Boldness increases (Acts 1:8)
- Wisdom, understanding, and power flow (Isaiah 11:2)

Discussion Question:

- Which of these areas do you most want to grow in right now?
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Key Truth #2: Walking in the Spirit Looks Like Walking in Love (5–7 min)

The evidence of maturity is not gifts—it's **character**.

How do we walk in the Spirit?

- We choose love
- We cultivate compassion
- We meditate on God's love for us

📖 **Galatians 5:22–23** – Fruit is the mark of maturity

Discussion Questions:

- Why is love the foundation for everything the Spirit does in us?
 - What is one practical way you can walk in love this week?
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Key Truth #3: The Holy Spirit Empowers the Gospel Through Us (5–7 min)

The Spirit is ready to confirm the Gospel when we speak it.

Important Truth:

People are not saved by observation—they are saved by hearing the Gospel.

📖 **Romans 5 (summary)** – At just the right time, Christ died for us

📖 **Mark 16:19–20** – The Lord works with us, confirming the Word

The Simple Gospel:

- Jesus was born without the sin of Adam
- He lived sinless
- He revealed the Father and modeled for us what Spirit filled living is.
- He sacrificially died for us
- He was declared to be the Son of God when He rose again
- We are made new creations, born again by the Spirit, forgiven, heaven bound when we believe upon Jesus and what He did for us! (Romans 3:22-23)

Discussion Questions:

- What holds people back from sharing the Gospel?
 - How can the Holy Spirit help overcome that?
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Key Truth #4: The Holy Spirit Empowers Us with Gifts (5 min)

The gifts are not badges—they are **tools for ministry**.

Three Categories of Gifts (1 Cor. 12):

- **Revelation Gifts:** Word of wisdom, knowledge, discerning spirits
- **Power Gifts:** Faith, healings, miracles
- **Vocal Gifts:** Prophecy, tongues, interpretation

Important Reminders:

- Given by the Spirit (not earned)
- For the benefit of others
- Must operate in love
- Confirm the Gospel and reveal God's goodness

Discussion Questions:

- Which category of gifts do you feel most drawn to or curious about?
 - Why is it important that gifts operate in love?
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Key Truth #5: Yielding is the Key (3–5 min)

You are not the source—you are the vessel.

Illustration:

Like a radio receives and broadcasts a signal—you are designed to receive and release what the Spirit is doing.

How do we yield daily?

- Start with worship
- Give thanks
- Pray in the Spirit
- Spend time in the Word
- Write down what God is stirring

Romans 8:11 (NKJV)

“The Spirit...dwells in you...gives life...”

Discussion Question:

- What is one practical step you can take to become more aware of the Holy Spirit daily?
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Group Prayer & Activation (3–5 min)

Pray together:

- Thank God for His Spirit living in you
 - Ask for greater awareness and sensitivity
 - Pray for boldness to share the Gospel
 - Ask for love to lead everything
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Take-Home Challenge

This week:

1. **Start each day** by acknowledging the Holy Spirit
 2. **Walk in love intentionally** with one person
 3. **Share the Gospel** or your testimony with someone
 4. **Take one step of faith** when prompted
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Closing Encouragement

You are not trying to live this life alone.

You are empowered.

You are equipped.

You are sent.

Every step—**empowered by the Holy Spirit.**