

Characteristic 3: Led and Empowered by the Spirit - John 14:15-17

Memory Verse - Acts 1:8 “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.”

1. In John 14:15-17, Jesus connects love, obedience, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Where are you most aware that you need the Spirit’s help to obey Jesus right now?
2. The sermon said, “You can know the Word intellectually and still be powerless spiritually.” How have you seen the difference between simply knowing Scripture and actually being transformed by the Spirit through Scripture?
3. According to John 16:13-14, the Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus and guides us into truth. How can you better discern whether something is truly from the Spirit or simply your own feelings, desires, or opinions?
4. The sermon warned that the Holy Spirit never contradicts the Word of God. What is one area where people commonly say, “God told me,” but what follows may not actually align with Scripture?
5. In Acts 1:8, Jesus says the Spirit gives power for witness. Where do you need boldness to represent Jesus more faithfully: at home, work, school, neighborhood, or in a relationship?
6. The sermon talked about grieving or quenching the Spirit through sin, resistance, or wanting our will over God’s will. Is there anything in your life that may be keeping you from being fully yielded to the Spirit?
7. If a disciple cannot live the Christian life in their own strength, what would it look like this week for you to stop “clicking the button with no power” and intentionally ask God for a fresh filling of the Holy Spirit?