

Let's pray together:

Father, I praise You for creating me with purpose. Holy Spirit, search my heart and show me the fears and doubts that keep me from walking in Your purpose. Expose where I shrink back or settle for less. I humble myself and receive Your correction and encouragement, because Your grace is enough for me. Give me ears to hear, and a heart to obey. My life is Yours for the fame of King Jesus.

Amen.

**What happens when we attempt to
live our common and unique
purpose without the Spirit's
empowering?**

“However, I am telling you the truth: It’s good for you that I’m going away. If I don’t go away, the helper won’t come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you.”

John 16:7 God’s Word Translation

**Acts 2 and 2 Peter 1:3
have this in common:**

**The Holy Spirit, His dunamis power,
and Peter's witness to what God
can do in and through His people.**

BECOMING: **PARTNERING WITH THE FATHER** **IN HIS MISSION**

PART SIXTEEN

**All of us are born with a desire
to make a difference.**

**What God put in you to make a
difference doesn't disappear.**

**The Father has already given
us everything we need through
Christ to make a positive,
life-giving difference.**

“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 1:8 NIV

**“In the last days, God says, I will
pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will
prophesy, your young men will see
visions, your old men will dream
dreams.**

Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

**The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood before the
coming of the great and glorious
day of the Lord. And everyone who
calls on the name of the Lord will be
saved.”**

Acts 2:17–21 NIV

“His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.”

2 Peter 1:3 NIV

**The question is not whether
the Holy Spirit was sent. He
was. The question is whether
we are living like it.**

Who is the Holy Spirit?

- **The Holy Spirit is creative, protective, and intimately present. (Genesis 1:2)**
- **The Holy Spirit is a person.**
- **The Holy is our 'Paraclete'.**

**The Holy Spirit is a Person to know.
He creates, protects, seals, leads,
helps, and transforms, and every
one of those is personal, not
transactional.**

What has He been doing all along?

In the last 120 years, His movement has taken a specific and remarkable shape that we need to understand.

- **Origins of Pentecostalism**
- **The Charismatic Movement**

Gateway holds a Pentecostal and charismatic understanding of the Holy Spirit.

- Pentecostal, in believing in a secondary experience of baptism in the Holy Spirit with biblical evidence.**
- Charismatic, in believing that the Holy Spirit equips all believers with gifts and power for the work of the ministry and the building up of the church.**

What does the Holy Spirit do in us now?

- He authorizes us.
- He empowers us.
- He sustains us.
- He conquers for us.
- He produces fruit through us.

What this means for each of us is that the Spirit's five-dimensional empowerment is not reserved for pulpits and prayer meetings.

He operates in salon chairs, classrooms, and boardrooms. The Spirit equips people in different ways and at different times; the absence of a dramatic sign does not mean the absence of the Spirit.