

## Walking in the Spirit

### **The Holy Spirit: Empowered**

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**Ephesians 5:18b** — “*but be filled with the Spirit*”

**Big Idea:** As Jesus leaves His disciples and ascends to the Father, He gives us a clear mission and POWER to accomplish that mission.

- **Jesus gives us a clear mission:**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- **And POWER to accomplish that mission:**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- **Acts 2 — So what happened at Pentecost?**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- **Takeaways:** Why does it matter?

“The Holy Spirit’s ministry is to both reveal Christ to us and form Christ in us.” — John Stott

## **GRACE GROUP Discussion Questions**

Ephesians 5:15-21 (week of Jan 12, 2020)

**Spend some time catching up and talking story.**

**Spend some time in the text —**

**Read Romans chapter 8 and Galatians chapter 5 together.**

**“But be filled with the Spirit,** addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.” (Ephesians 5:18-21)

### **Walking in the Spirit**

- How is life in the Spirit like a journey? Why do you think Paul often compared the Christian life to walking?
- Did believers in the Old Covenant age (Old Testament days) experience the Holy Spirit in the same way we do now that the New Covenant has begun?
- Why does Paul use so many metaphors and analogies to describe life in the Spirit?
- Do you feel comfortable talking about the Holy Spirit? Why or why not?

### **Being led by the Spirit**

- How does the Holy Spirit lead us as we move through life? What does the leading of the Spirit include?
- How important is knowing Scripture in the discussion of the leading of the Spirit?
- Why is it difficult to describe to others how the Holy Spirit leads?
- Do you agree that it is sometimes easier to see the guidance of the Holy Spirit after the fact than before? Can you think of examples from your own experience?

**Spend some time sharing and praying together.**

- Pray for each other. Pray for the unity of our church family.
- Pray that we would individually and corporately experience more and more of the Holy Spirit working in and through our lives.
- Pray that we would increasingly tap into the enabling power that we have access to with the Spirit living in us.