### **RIVERS CROSSING COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Groups Guide - Spirit Filled Jesus, Week #4



### **ENGAGE ONE ANOTHER:**

- 1. How has this series changed your perspective of Jesus and the Holy Spirit so far?
- 2. Pastor John gave three primary reasons we don't experience being "Spirit Filled" in the same way we see in Jesus' life and ministry.
  - a. **We feel inadequate.** When do you most commonly feel inadequate to live out the Christian life well? Why is that so, and where do those inadequacies come from?
  - b. We don't know what the anointing is. Before today, did you believe you were anointed? Put the idea of anointing into your own words after hearing Pastor John's message.
  - c. We don't understand the gospel. Have you ever thought about the Gospel being more than simply saving you or forgiving your sins? How does this bigger picture of the Gospel change your perspective on Jesus' ministry and purpose?
- 3. Talk about the concept of anointing. God has marked you for something specific and unique. What is it? What does it look like for you to step into that through faith?
- 4. What do you think are the biggest challenges to you walking into or accepting the idea that you're anointed for something from God?

#### PAUSE & REFLECT:

In the Psalms, it's called a "Selah". A moment to catch your breath, rest, and praise. It's an intentional break to reflect and fully experience the moment before moving on. How did God challenge, encourage, correct, etc... as your group engaged one another in this conversation?

## ENGAGE GOD:

Practice Lectio Divina together by reading Luke 4:16-21. Read it out loud multiple times, pausing between each reading to allow the Holy Spirit to speak and highlight this verse for each of your group members.

Focus in on the six components of the Gospel that Jesus shares.

Good news	to the
poor	

Heal the brokenhearted

Freedom to the captives

Recovery of the sight to the blind Liberty to the oppressed

Preach the acceptable year of the Lord

Which of these do you feel like God has also uniquely anointed you to live out in the power of the Holy Spirit? Spend some time in meditation and silent prayer together asking God to help you understand His specific anointing on your life.

Once you've had some time to pray, open it up to the group to share out loud what the Holy Spirit revealed through the scripture reflection and prayer time.

#### **GROUP PRAYER**:

Prayer: Pray this prayer together as a group – "Lord, I thank you for the anointing on my life and how you want me to use it for your glory. Thank you for marking me to make an impact for your Kingdom. I know that you and the power of heaven is backing me now. Thank you for anointing me by your blood Jesus. Amen." Once you've prayed this, open up general prayers and address additional prayer requests and concerns as needed.

# ENGAGE ONE ANOTHER + ENGAGE GOD = Extraordinary Together