

The Ghost

Part 4: Filled With The Spirit

Introduction

We are spending four weeks learning about the Holy Ghost, or Holy Spirit. The third part of the trinity, is often misunderstood. Yet, he is the key to an empowered life for Jesus Christ. Are we unaware of Him? Have we've been resisting him? Are you currently Spirit-less or Spirit-Filled? Let's peel back the curtain and look at what a life lead by the Spirit looks like.

Discussion Questions

1. Read Acts 2:1-4. This passage describes the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came and filled the early church giving them the ability to speak in tongues. Share your personal reactions to the gift of tongues. How did the message influence your beliefs?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 14:4-5, 18, 23, 27-28. Paul instructs us in these passages the purpose of speaking in tongues, which is designed to strengthen the person speaking and not the church. Why do you think speaking in tongues is such a controversial topic among believers?
3. Read Galatians 5:16-17 and Ephesians 5:15-18. These scriptures tell us that we should not give into our sinful desires, but rather we should be filled with the Holy Spirit. How did the picture of getting drunk help expand your understanding of what a Spirit-filled life is like?
4. Describe a time when you experienced being filled by the Holy Spirit. How did the experience affect your relationship with Christ? If you haven't had that experience yet, what do you think it would be like?
5. Read Galatians 5:22-26. This passage instructs us to follow the Holy Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. How does living a Spirit-filled life currently look in your own life? What steps can you take now to begin or continue the process of living a more Spirit-filled life?
6. As you take your next steps towards a Spirit-filled life, what questions do you still have that you will seek out answer to?

To Consider

This week take time to focus on developing a more Spirit-filled life by praying and seeking a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Also, spend some time with someone who you feel is living a Spirit-filled life and learn from their insight and experience on how to fully experience the Holy Spirit.