

Prioritizing Holy Spirit Dependence



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Our Purpose: To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

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—Luke 4:1 (ESV)

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

—Luke 4:14-15 (ESV)

“The work of the Holy Spirit is to manifest the active presence of God in the world, and especially in the church.”

—WAYNE GRUDEM, theologian

1. Jesus depended on the Holy Spirit for GUIDANCE by

A. Choosing dependence.

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, ...

—Luke 4:1 (ESV)

B. Paying attention to promptings.

... returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness

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C. Going when prompted.

... and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness

—Luke 4:1 (ESV)

2. Jesus was dependent on the Holy Spirit for POWER to minister.

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

—Luke 4:14-15 (ESV)

But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.

—Matthew 12:28 (ESV)

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

—Acts 1:1-2 (ESV)

“His [Jesus’] whole ministry was in the power of the spirit”

— John MacArthur

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apports to each one individually as he wills.

—1 Corinthians 12:4, 7, 11 (ESV)

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.

—Acts 1:8 (ESV)

When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. For it is not you who

*speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through
you.*

—Matthew 10:19-20 (ESV)