

WELLSPRING

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Spirit Filled Church 10/22/2023 Reflection Questions:

1. When you hear of a Spirit-filled, charismatic or Pentecostal church, what images come to your mind?
2. Have you been a part of other churches that do not believe that the spiritual gifts mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:7-10 are still for today?
3. 1 Corinthians 14:23 tells us that even back in the early church, some Christians were familiar with spiritual gifts and some were not. Why do you think that was true then and is also true today?
4. Why did the supernatural gifts of the Spirit diminish over the first five centuries of the Christian church?
5. Spiritual gifts are hard to fully comprehend. Is it challenging for you to embrace something that you do not fully understand?
6. There are inherent vulnerabilities in every branch of the Christian church. How would you say the following types of churches vulnerable?
 - a. Fundamental Bible believing churches
 - b. Traditional Catholic churches
 - c. Mainline liberal churches
 - d. Spirit-filled churches
7. What can we learn from the fact that the Biblical metaphors of the Holy Spirit (water, fire, wind, oil) have very different characteristics?
8. How does the Bible teach us that the power of God is vastly superior to the powers of darkness in the life of Moses when he is before Pharaoh? Or in the life of Daniel when he serves the king of Babylon? Or in the account of Simon the sorcerer in Acts 8?
9. What did you think of this statement, "The powers of darkness seem amazing until you encounter the power of God"?
10. Did you agree with the statement, "The message illuminates, the miracle illustrates, we need both"?