

Seven Spirits of Revelation Week One Small Group Guide

Small Group Guide: Walking in the Fullness of Holy Spirit - The Spirit of the Lord

Opening Prayer: Begin with a prayer, inviting the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion and open hearts to His presence.

Key Takeaways:

1. The Spirit of the Lord represents God's empowering presence that rested upon Christ and is accessible to believers today.
2. As Christians, we carry within us the same presence that came upon Jesus at His baptism.
3. The Spirit of the Lord empowers us for ministry, enabling us to do greater works than even Jesus did.
4. Holy Spirit is always ready to meet our deepest needs and provides an inexhaustible supply of power and anointing.
5. Understanding the Spirit of the Lord is foundational for grasping His other roles and traits.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you most from the sermon? Why?
2. The pastor mentioned that many Christians today have fallen into "emperor worship" in subtle ways. What are some examples you've seen of this in modern society or even in your own life?
3. How does understanding the Spirit of the Lord as God's empowering presence change your perspective on your own spiritual life and capabilities?

4. The sermon mentioned four caveats for being fully empowered by the Holy Spirit. Which of these do you find most challenging in your own walk with God?

5. Reflect on a time when you felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in a powerful way. How did it impact you?

6. How can we cultivate a greater awareness of the Spirit of the Lord in our daily lives?

7. The pastor referenced Zechariah 4:6 - "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts." How does this verse challenge our typical approach to ministry or problem-solving?

Practical Application:

1. Life Change Challenge: Set aside 10 minutes each day this week to be still and listen for the voice of the Holy Spirit.

2. Identify one area in your life where you need the empowering presence of the Spirit of the Lord. Commit to praying specifically for His guidance and power in this area.

3. Choose one of the ministries mentioned in Isaiah 61:1-3 (e.g., comforting those who mourn, proclaiming freedom to captives) and look for an opportunity to put it into practice this week.

4. Reflect on any "emperor worship" tendencies in your life. What steps can you take to redirect your focus and reliance back to God?

Closing Prayer: Close the session by inviting group members to pray for one another, asking for a greater manifestation of the Spirit of the Lord in each person's life.