

The Power of the Holy Spirit



Part 3

So Far ...

WEEK 1: **The Power of the Holy Spirit**

WEEK 2: **Who Is the Holy Spirit?**

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The Holy Spirit*

Tonight ...

*What would my life look like
if the power of the Holy Spirit
was evident in me?*

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Why Take On This Series?





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“Without [the Holy Spirit], people operate on their own strength and only accomplish human-size results.

The world is not moved by love or actions that are of human creation. And the church is not empowered to live differently from any other gathering of people without the Holy Spirit. But when believers live in the power of the Spirit, the evidence in their lives is supernatural.

The church cannot help but be different, and the world cannot help but notice.”

Francis Chan
Forgotten God



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Questions We Covered Last Week:

Does the Holy Spirit have a personality?

What is the name of the Holy Spirit?

Is the Holy Spirit an extension of power of Christ (He is referred to in one instance as the Spirit of Christ)?

What are the roles/responsibilities of the Holy Spirit?

To what extent is the Holy Spirit responsible for our ability to experience God, for faith and for belief?

Why is the Holy Spirit's work hidden or difficult to discern?

Why is the Holy Spirit the least known / least talked about of the Trinity?

Why has the church failed so miserably at teaching about the Holy Spirit and how do we improve that?



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What Questions Do You Have?

Most Asked Questions:

Is "baptism by the Holy Spirit" synonymous with receiving Him when you are saved?

Is "baptism by the Holy Spirit" different than water baptism?

The Question We Will Cover Tonight:

Are we capable of anything without the Spirit and His gifts?



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What Questions Do You Have?

Questions We'll Cover in Coming Weeks:

Can you have a healthy walk with God without knowing/understanding the Holy Spirit?

How does the Holy Spirit make your life better/more effective?

How does the Holy Spirit work in our daily lives?

How do we know when the Holy Spirit is present?

Can the Holy Spirit be earned? Can you lose the Holy Spirit?

How do you determine what the Holy Spirit is, as opposed to deceiving yourself?

What are some of the clearer verses that detail the Holy Spirit and how we should interact with the Spirit?

Since the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are Three in One, are you not engaging all parts of the Trinity when you engage any part of God?



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What Questions Do You Have?

Questions We'll Cover in Coming Weeks:

Can someone deny the Holy Spirit?

What responsibility do we have for "losing touch" with the Holy Spirit?

Did the Holy Spirit indwell people before Christ came to the earth?

What does it mean for the Holy Spirit to fall upon a person or a group?

What are the boundaries/limitations of the Holy Spirit (if any)?

Can you pray to the Holy Spirit?

Are prayers to the Holy Spirit supposed to be structured differently?

What do you do to communicate with the Holy Spirit?

Does the Holy Spirit use us or usurp us?

Can the Holy Spirit use an un-baptized person?

How do we reach a good balance of depending on the Holy Spirit vs. working hard?



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What Questions Do You Have?

Questions We'll Cover in Coming Weeks:

Is the Holy Spirit's power manifested in individuals or in the church at large?

Is indwelling of the Spirit dependent on our understanding of this reality, or rather an attitude/posture of the heart?

To what degree does one have an influence on the experience of / drawing on the Spirit?

Does doubt interfere with the Holy Spirit's work?

What matters about the Holy Spirit beyond the spiritual gifts?

Is guidance from the Holy Spirit necessary for salvation?

What does the power of the Holy Spirit look like (also compared to the power of the Father or Christ)?

How can you know it's actually the Holy Spirit speaking to you instead of just your subconscious mind being active?



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Review: Who Is The Holy Spirit?

**The Holy Spirit is God,
the Third Person of the Trinity.**

The Holy Spirit is a Person, Whom you can . . .

- blaspheme (Matthew 12:31-32);
- insult (Hebrews 12:29);
- grieve (Ephesians 4:30).



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Review: The Role of the Spirit

To Indwell Us as Believers – John 14:15-17

To Remind Us of Jesus' Teachings - John 14:25-26

To Testify About Christ – John 15:26-27

**To Convince the World of Sin, Judgment and Our Need
for Righteousness in Jesus – John 16:7-11**

To Guide Us Into All Truth – John 16:12-13

To Speak What Has Been Given By Jesus – John 16:14

To Glorify Jesus – John 16:15



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Review: The Role of the Spirit

To Bring Us to Faith – 1 Corinthians 12:3

To Give Spiritual Gifts - 1 Corinthians 12:1, 11

To Help Us In Our Weakness – Romans 8:26-27

To Give Us Power for God's Work – Acts 1:8; Romans 8:26

To Give Us Words to Witness – Mark 13:11, Luke 12:12)

To Give Us Life and Not Condemnation, and to Set Us Free From Sins of Our Bodies - Romans 8:2-4

To Adopt Us as Sons and Daughters of God - Romans 8:15

To Act As a Deposit and Guarantee of Our Future Inheritance - 2 Corinthians 1:21-23; 5:5).



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Review: The Role of the Spirit

**To Allow Us to “Overflow with Hope” by His power
- Romans 5:13**

**To Transform Us to Become More and More Like the Lord
with “Ever-Increasing Glory” – 2 Corinthians 3:18**

**To Produce Fruit in Us Led by the Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace,
Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness
and Self-Control – Galatians 5:22-23**



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But, if the Holy Spirit were taken away from the church of today, 10 percent of what we do would come to a halt.”

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“Even our church growth can happen without Him. Let’s be honest: if you combine a charismatic speaker, a talented worship band, and some hip, creative events, people will attend your church. Yet this does not mean that the Holy Spirit of God is actively working and moving in the lives of the people who are coming. ... People are more likely to describe the quality of the music or the appeal of the sermon than the One who is the reason people gather for “church” in the first place.”

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What Would Your Life Look Like?

GOD WOULD BE CLEARLY EVIDENT

“When I live by my own power and strength, relying solely on my natural talents to see me through, then people naturally praise me for how I am living. But when I am living in a way that requires me to depend on the Holy Spirit, people respond by praising my Father in heaven.”

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What Would Your Life Look Like?

SPIRITUAL FRUIT IS PRODUCED BEYOND MEASURE

“Do you possess [the fruit of the Spirit] to a supernatural degree? Do you exhibit more kindness and faithfulness than the Mormons you know? Do you have more self-control than your Muslim friends? More peace than Buddhists? More joy than atheists? ... What disturbs me most is that we’re not really bothered that God living in us has not made much of a noticeable difference. Most churchgoers are content to find a little bit of peace rather than a “peace of God, which surpasses all understanding.””

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EXAMPLES FROM THE LIVES OF THE APOSTLES

Sudden, brilliant awareness of God actually being present.

Unexplainable joy in the midst of suffering.

The power of their words and their preaching to penetrate.

Transformed from asking questions, to having answers.

They freely delighted in prayer, from those who could not stay awake during prayer to those who prayed at all hours.

They passionately loved the Scriptures and had new insights into their focal point: Christ.



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What Would Your Life Look Like?

*What could I not have accomplished
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What Would Your Life Look Like?

What could I not have accomplished today without the power of the Holy Spirit?

What did I accomplish today without the power of the Holy Spirit?



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What Would Your Life Look Like?

Q. Are we capable of anything without the Spirit and His gifts?

A. Yes. We are capable of human-sized efforts, ones that rely entirely on our own talents and abilities.



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“I don’t want my life to be explainable without the Holy Spirit. I want people to look at my life and know that I couldn’t be doing this by my own power. I want to live in such a way that I am desperate for Him to come through. That if He doesn’t come through, I am screwed.”

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Next Week...



*How Can I Activate the Power
of the Holy Spirit in My Life?*