

Discovering Abundance in the Spirit

Week Five

Three Ways to Create Intimate _____ with Holy Spirit

#1 - _____ on His Words

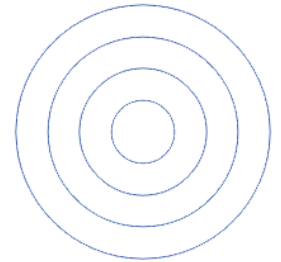
#2 - _____ Meaningful Conversations – Two Way Dialogue

#3 - Pray _____ in the Spirit

Four Pentecosts

Acts 1:4-8

- You will receive _____ – Dunamis, BIG power that raises dead things to life
- To be _____ : Jerusalem, all Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth like four concentric circles
- After Stephen is stoned to death – persecution causes them to spread outside Jerusalem, then to Judea, then Samaria and to the ends of the earth
- It is the _____ of Holy Spirit that comes upon believers to be witnesses of the Kingdom = continues and expands



Four Groups of People: _____ Believers, Samaritans, _____ Fearers and _____

Acts 2:1-21 – _____ Believers

- Peter is not prophesying, he is actually _____ what is happening
- Experiencing Holy Spirit
 - At salvation you received a _____ = the born again experience
 - John 20:22 – This was their born again experience when Jesus blew on them so Holy Spirit would _____ them. Jesus said '*We will dwell among you*' = Indwelling - Regeneration
 - Then He tells them to wait to receive Holy Spirit in Power = _____ (coming upon experience) so they could be His witnesses.

Acts 8:14-17 – Samaritans: _____ Jewish and _____ Gentile

- Philip went to Samaria. They had been _____ again = Indwelling
- The apostles come and release the _____ of Holy Spirit to them – the Empowerment

Acts 10:1-3, 11:1-18 – _____ Fearers: Specific title for Greeks converted to Judaism and then converted again to Christianity

- While he is _____, Holy Spirit came!

Acts 19:1-7 – _____

Three Types of _____

#1 - Tongues as a Sign to the _____ - 1 Corinthians 14:20-22 – Isaiah 28

- Tongues in the first century was a sign of the _____ that was about to fall on them.

POINT: Now in the New Covenant, when people speak in _____, it's for types ____ and ____
– NOT type _____ because this has already _____.

#2 - Tongues for _____ Edification – 1 Corinthians 14:1-5

- According to Paul, tongues is talking to God to edify your _____. He encourages ____ to speak in tongues but would rather they prophesy so that all are edified. Prophesying in _____ is better than speaking in tongues, unless you have the interpretation. If you have the interpretation then all are _____.
- v. 6 – 12 – Eagerly desire the gifts that edify and build up _____. Don't just show up to speak in tongues without an interpretation. If you don't have the interpretation, no one is edified. Sounds like babble.
- v. 3 – 20 – Paul used personal edification tongues _____ than they did.
 - When we begin speaking to Father, Jesus and Holy Spirit, we don't know what we are speaking, praying or singing in tongues, but in that _____ revelation comes in our spirit = we are speaking to each other like intimate friends.
 - It begins with building a _____, a place of connection that revelation comes from edifying your spirit.
- v. 26 – 33 – Very practical church advice. Go _____ at a time, taking _____.

POINT: _____ can speak, pray and sing in tongues for personal edification in our prayer lives. Tongues is for _____ because we all need to be personally built up in our faith (Jude 20)!

#3 - Tongues as a _____ – 1 Corinthians 12:10

Q: Do all speak in the gift of tongues? 1 Corinthians 12:30

Call to Action - Pursue Being Filled and Refilled - Acts 4:27-31 – not just a _____ thing

Ephesians 5:18 – be filled = continually, ongoing, over and over and over. _____ - not just a filling. There is no _____ to Holy Spirit!

Declaration for the Week: Holy Spirit desires to have meaningful and life changing conversations with me. He will increase my courage and desire to pray in the Spirit as I pursue intimate encounters with Him. He is the BEST teacher and encourager. He is teaching me how to draw deeply with expectancy. My heart will be edified and strengthened and my faith will deepen with greater capacity. I will pursue being filled again and again. There is no limit to Him! Every area of my life is being restored and transformed. Holy Spirit, make me more aware of these Better Covenant realities!

Going Deeper: Carve out 10-20 minutes a day to create encounters with Holy Spirit. Meditate slowly on lesson scriptures and the principles. Pursue meaningful conversation with Him by praying in the Spirit. Be prepared to receive and be refreshed. Ask Holy Spirit to give you greater understanding. Record what He reveals to you.