

Empowered

Week 3: Spirit-Spilled | Teacher: Chris Seidman Sermon Questions for 3.16.2025

Opener

When was the first time your remember feeling a sense of safety, peace, and/or hope even though your circumstances weren't the best?

Read

Acts 2:1-13; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:21; Acts 2:38; John 6:63; Acts 4:31; Ephesians 1:14; Romans 15:13; 1 Corinthians 12:3; Luke 11:13; Ephesians 5:18

Main Points

- 1. We may have little idea as to just who it is that's "in the house" when we are saved and the Spirit moves in to make us his home.
- 2. In the Old Testament, there are stories of the presence of God filling a tabernacle, a temple, or being on top of a mountain. What we see in Acts is different because the Spirit is not filling buildings of wood and stone, but bodies of flesh and bone.
- 3. Look at what the Spirit is doing he's not empowering the church to create a *holy huddle*, but actually testify to others in a language they can understand! When our limitations are obvious to others, people can easily see that we can't be the explanation for what's happening!
- 4. The wonders of God were coming out of their mouths because the wonder of God had been brought home to their hearts and souls through the filling of the Spirit.
- 5. God reaches the lost through the transformation of the saved by the power of the Spirit.
- 6. A few takeaways: (1) The filling and empowerment of the Spirit makes a noticeable difference in our lives. (2) The filling and empowerment of the Spirit is not a one-time event but can be an ongoing reality in a believer's life.

Engage with God in a Group

- How were the disciples impacted by the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost?
- What do you think you would have done if you had been in the crowd that day?
- When have you experienced the dynamic power of the Holy Spirit in your life?
- What areas of your life do you think you've struggle to give full access to the Spirit?

Bottom Line

There's a difference between being informed and being empowered.