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Pastor Bill Bowers | April 29, 2018

The Power of the Holy Spirit

Scripture: Acts 1:4-5, 8

Dunamis (doo'-nam-is): a force; a miraculous power;
the explosive power of God.

The Holy Spirit gives me power...

- 1) to **share Christ** boldly. (1 Corinthians 2:4-5)
- 2) when I **am weak**. (Romans 8:26)
- 3) to have hope in **a hopeless world**. (Romans 15:13)
- 4) to experience all the **fullness of God**. (Ephesians 3:16-19)

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HOMEGROUP & PERSONAL STUDY QUESTIONS

1. We learned the power Jesus promised to his followers was described with the word, “*dunamis*” (meaning a force; a miraculous power; the explosive power of God). Can you provide a personal example of your experience with the *dunamis* power of the Holy Spirit in your life?
2. What do you think sharing the message of Christ boldly means? What does boldly sharing Christ look like in your life?
3. The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. How would you explain this statement in your own words and using your personal experience as an example? In what ways, when you are weak, do you find God strong within you?
4. Have you experienced a time when God desired to be strong in you, but you were more comfortable in your weakness— even refusing to allow Him to work within you? Do you have an example you would share?
5. If the power of the Holy Spirit of God, the fullness of God dwelling in you, is a real thing, why do Christians often despair over issues they have minimal control over (decisions of others/non-believers, politics, culture wars, etc.)?
6. Pastor Bill closed his teaching to us with a passage of Scripture from Ephesians 3:16-19. Do you believe the prayer of the apostle can be realized in your life today (to experience the fullness of life and power that comes from God)? If you are not experiencing this, and want to experience it, reach out to a staff pastor or a trusted spiritual friend and ask for their help.