

Rock Church Pastor Travis Gibson The Holy Spirit Empowers Us | May 23, 2021

**Monthly Discipleship Focus for May:** Demonstrate a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.

Pastor Travis Gibson continues the series sharing how the Holy Spirit is not some strange force reserved for the spiritual elite, but He is a helper who empowers anyone who asks. We need to know His name, His nature, and His new levels of power. Never let your theology be shaped by what you have or have not experienced, but rather let it be shaped by God's Word. What we need is not what the world is offering, but the freshness and who God in order to receive all that God has for us.

## As a group, read the statements and scriptures then respond accordingly:

- 1. The Holy Spirit empowers me to live RIGHTEOUSLY (Romans 8:9). The Spirit begins to change your desires such as no longer wanting to drink alcohol, do drugs, have an affair, lust, or be a lover of money. The Spirit helps you to make wise choices. You don't *have to* obey, but instead you *want to* obey. What is God calling you to release in order to live a life more pleasing to Him?
- 2. The Holy Spirit empowers me to live SUPERNATURALLY (1 Corinthians 2:4-5). You can live a normal life that is very explainable to others, or you can live like Jesus, where there are prayers, healing, and miracles happening. Share one thing that has happened in your life that you know only occurred because of God's goodness and grace.
- **3.** The Holy Spirit empowers me to live on MISSION (1 Thessalonians 1:5, Isaiah 30:21). The church doesn't exist for the church, it exists for the world. We need to having a deep sense of calling or mission in this life. What is one thing God is calling you to do utilizing your gifts and talents?

## This Month's Memory Verse:

"And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers." ~Ephesians 4:11 NKJV

## This Week's Bible Readings & Bible Project Videos:

Nehemiah 11-13: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/ezra-nehemiah/</u> Esther 1-10: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/esther/</u> Job 4-7: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/job/</u> Proverbs 16 https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/proverbs/

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