



# The Journey

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# The Journey- Holy Spirit-Empowered Life

Speaker: Pastor Mike Burnette

**ICEBREAKER**

What is one Thanksgiving dish that you know has been anointed by the Holy Spirit?



## INTRODUCTION

- Prior to today what was your perspective of the Holy Spirit?
- Pastor Mike mentioned "A life of discipleship is made possible only through the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit, discipleship is merely an exercise in will power." Are there times in your life where you have tried to live "good enough" with your own willpower versus depending on the power of the Holy Spirit? How did that turn out?

## THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS US TO LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY.

Read Galatians 5:16-23

- When you walk by the Spirit the scripture says you will not gratify the desires of the Flesh. Can you share a time that you have felt the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to overcome your flesh?
- What fruit do you feel is evident in your life? Is there a fruit you desire more of?
- Discuss the difference between habitual sin and being human, having a posture of repentance?

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### **THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS US TO LIVE**

#### **SUPERNATURALLY.**

- **Read Romans 8:11**
- **Have you ever had the Holy Spirit use you in a supernatural way?**
- **Why should we desire to be used by the Holy Spirit in a supernatural way?**
- **Have you ever experienced the charismatic gifts of the Spirit (ie speaking in tongues, prophesy)?**

### **THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS US TO LIVE MISSIONALLY.**

- **Pastor Mike said "The Power of God is first connected to our RELATIONSHIP with God! But His power is NOT JUST for us! Sometimes people want MORE of God's Power to make their OWN lives better, but it's not about us! We live for OTHERS! What does it look like for YOU to live missionally?"**

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## ACT ON IT

### ENCOURAGE



You can live a Spirit Empowered Life. When you accept Christ, you have been promised the free gift of God's Spirit in your life. The miracles that you've read in your Bible weren't just the past, they still hold true today and with the power of the Holy Spirit in your life, God can perform these same miracles THROUGH YOU!



### Ask

Ask yourself, are you living a Spirit-Empowered life and how does that evidence present itself in your life? Thinking forward, how can you continue to grow in this area of your life?

### Challenge



For the next 7 days, challenge yourself to say this prayer, "Holy Spirit, show me, Holy Spirit, fill me, Holy Spirit, USE ME." We challenge you, then, to be obedient to what God is showing you. Allow yourself to sit with God and be silent. Allow him to speak into you and then GO in obedience to the Holy Spirit and be used by Him.

## PRAYER

Lord, thank you for the gift of the spirit. I love that you care enough to know that my flesh is weak and that I need your constant guidance, love, and support. Lord, your guidance keeps me on your path, your love gently encourages my actions, and your support makes me feel surrounded by you. Holy Spirit, you are welcome in this place. Mold me; I am yours, Lord.