

## ATIME FOR...

"Encountering the Holy Spirit"



### Do We Experience God's Power...?

Ephesians 1:19-20 NLT

<sup>19</sup> I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power <sup>20</sup> that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honour at God's right hand in the heavenly realms.



"I don't want the world to define God for me. I want the Holy Spirit to reveal God to me." A W Tozer





### Who is the Holy Spirit?

John 14:16-17 NIV

<sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever- <sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth.

John 14:26 NIV

26 ...the <u>Advocate</u> the <u>Holy Spirit</u>, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.



### The Holy Spirit Prepares Us...

John 16:13 NIV

<sup>13</sup> But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

Acts 13:2 NIV

<sup>2</sup> While they were <u>worshipping the Lord and fasting</u>, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.'

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## Holy Spirit's Mission? 1. Reveal Salvation

John 16:7-11 NLT

<sup>7</sup>...it is best for you that I (*Jesus*) go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you.

<sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment.

<sup>9</sup>The world's sin is that it refuses to believe in me. <sup>10</sup>Righteousness is available because I go to the Father, and you will see me no more. <sup>11</sup> Judgment will come because the ruler of this world has already been judged.



# Holy Spirit's Mission? 2. Build My Character

Gal 5:22-23 NIT

<sup>22</sup> But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!



# Holy Spirit's Mission? 3. Release Spiritual Gifts

- 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 NIV
  - <sup>7</sup> Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.
  - <sup>8</sup> To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge..., <sup>9</sup> to another faith..., to another gifts of healing..., <sup>10</sup> to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.



#### Am I filled with the Holy Spirit?

Acts 8:14-17 NIV

<sup>14</sup> When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to Samaria. <sup>15</sup> When they arrived, they prayed for the new believers there that they might receive the Holy Spirit, <sup>16</sup> because the Holy Spirit had not yet come on any of them; they had simply been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>17</sup> Then Peter and John placed their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.



#### Can I Encounter the Holy Spirit?

Luke 11:11-13 NIV

11 'Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'



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