

WEEK 9: WE ARE SPIRIT-FILLED TEMPLES

DISCOVER (PRE-WORK)

Before and during this activity, ask the Spirit of God to illuminate your heart and mind and bring conviction and clarity of His truth for your life. Take some time during your own personal study to read through the selected scriptures and walk through these four key questions:

1. Who is God (what does this passage tell me about God's character)?
2. What has God done (how do I see God's character in action here)?
3. Who am I (how does God's character and action shape how I see myself)?
4. What do I do (if I believe 1-3 above, how would I respond and relate to others)?

Scripture: John 7:37-39; 14:12-18; Ezekiel 47:1-12; Romans 8:14-17; Ephesians 5:18-21

QUESTION: What did you DISCOVER during your study?

NURTURE

During your DNA group time, share what you discovered during your personal study detailed above. Confess out loud to one another areas of personal struggle or unbelief that the Spirit revealed during your personal study.

Through faith in the blood of Jesus shed for our sins, we become a pure and holy temple in which the Spirit of God dwells. The Holy Spirit in us is like a river of living water that satisfies our thirst, empowers us to live holy lives, produces spiritual fruit and brings healing to our brokenness. We are Spirit-filled temples of God sent as Missionaries with the power and presence of God to do the works of Jesus. In light of that:

1. Have you received the Holy Spirit?
2. In what ways do you presently need the presence and power of the Spirit?
3. In what areas of your life are you weary or worn out due working in your own power and not in the power of the Spirit?
4. Consider how you might submit yourself to God in that area and invite the Holy Spirit to fill you and empower you to live differently.

During this time, encourage each other to repent and believe the truth of God revealed to them in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Remind each other what is true of God and ourselves in light of what Jesus has done. In this case, remember that the same Spirit who empowered Jesus to live the life he did and minister in the way he did is now in us who believe in Jesus. We have access by faith in Jesus to the very same power that he had. Are you living a life full of that power?

QUESTION: How will you REPENT and BELIEVE the gospel?

ACT

In light of your time together, what steps will you take to act on your new discoveries and affirmed beliefs?

Consider these questions:

1. If you haven't yet received the Spirit, consider whether you believe Jesus live, died, was buried and rose again for you. If so, invite him to fill your life with his life giving Spirit.
2. Ask the Spirit to show you where you need the Spirit's presence and power in your life.
3. Surrender that area to God and invite the Spirit to fill you and show you what He wants you to do in response.
4. Now, who will you tell about what God's Spirit is doing in your life?

QUESTION: What will you DO and who will you TELL about what God has done?