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Series Title: Encountering Holy Spirit, Part 2
Key Scripture: Acts 1–2; John 14–16
Recorded Sermon:
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The Big Idea:
The Holy Spirit empowers believers to boldly proclaim Jesus, live in the supernatural power of God, deepen their prayer life and grow in intimacy with God.

Starter:
Have you ever needed help with something you couldn't do on your own? Who helped you and what difference did it make?

Discussion:

1. Read Acts 2:1-4. What stands out to you most about the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost? Why?

2. Jesus told the disciples to wait for "the promise of the Father" (Acts 1:4-5). Why do you think waiting was important before receiving the power of the Holy Spirit?

3. Acts 1:8 says believers receive power to be witnesses. What kind of power do you think Jesus was talking about? How is this different from worldly ideas of power?

4. Pentecost led to bold proclamation and many people turning to Jesus (Acts 2:37-41). How does the Holy Spirit help believers share their faith today?

5. Romans 8:26 and Ephesians 6:18 describe the Holy Spirit helping us pray. How does the Holy Spirit strengthen or deepen our prayer life?

Diving Deeper:

6. Have you ever experienced the Holy Spirit helping you pray, guiding you or giving you peace?

7. What would it look like for you to live more expectantly for the work of the Holy Spirit?

8. Is there an area of your life where God may be inviting you into deeper intimacy with Him this week?

Personal Reflection/Prayer:

Are you actively depending on the Holy Spirit for power, guidance, prayer and intimacy with God? Or, are you trying to live the Christian life in your own strength?

Prayer:

Thank God for the gift and presence of the Holy Spirit. Pray for fresh empowerment to boldly proclaim Jesus, greater sensitivity to His voice, deeper intimacy with God and a stronger prayer life led by the Holy Spirit.