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HOW TO PRAY FOR THE DOWNER OF THE OUTSINES

PERWATURAL CULTURE SERVE

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## Welcome to living a naturally supernatural lifestyle!

Culture surrounds us in many known and unknown ways. Culture is the environment we grew up in, the music we listen to, the style of clothes we wear, the entertainment we choose, and the people we hang out with. Culture can be defined as the behaviors and beliefs characteristic of a particular social, ethnic, or age group.

Beyond the cultures of this earth, is an entirely different culture—a supernatural culture. Supernatural culture is squarely set within a spiritual realm. This is a culture you cannot see with human eyes, hear with human ears, or touch with human hands—it is wholly spiritual. Just as human cultures have influenced the way you live your life, spiritual culture has influenced your perception and understanding of supernatural things.

Human and supernatural cultures collide the moment the Kingdom of Heaven is made manifest in the Kingdom of Man. Jesus taught us to pray, "Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:10). Essentially, Jesus was teaching us to pray that a supernatural culture would invade natural culture and bring the benefits of heaven. This journey is about that supernatural culture, and how to operate in its power and benefit.

Let the journey begin!



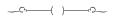
# HOW TO PRAY FOR THE POSSIBLE STATE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The "Living a Naturally Supernatural Lifestyle" book series has been adapted from the C4 Discipleship Pathway curriculum (c4discipleship.com). In this book you will walk through the following points. Keep in mind this series was originally written to be used in a group setting. I encourage you to partner up with someone who you would consider a mentor, and experience supernatural life together!

- The Power Principle
- Understanding the power of the Holy Spirit
- What is the gift of speaking in tongues?
- Three expressions of speaking in tongues.
- Power for holiness
- How to embrace and begin using the gift of tongues

## the Big Idea

Jesus has given you the gift of the Holy Spirit so you can reach the lost and live a life of power and holiness.



### How to Pray for the Power of the Holy Spirit

Rather than any one specific gift, Jesus defined the baptism of the Holy Spirit as the gift of power for witness. In other words, the baptism with the Holy Spirit is not just a gift of prophecy, healing, or speaking in tongues, it is the gift of power — an expression of what God intends for the moment. According to Acts 1:8, Jesus says, "...you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses..."

### A. The Power Principle

As leaders you are ready to step into the spiritual realm where God desires to move in power. This power is only exercised as the Holy Spirit moves through you. "The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit" (1 Corinthians. 2:14, NIV). 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 reminds us, that it is not by us, but by the means of the Holy Spirit that we exercise the gifts He has given us.

First let us be clear, the moment you receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior you receive the Holy Spirit, but you have yet to embrace the gifts that the Holy Spirit has for you. Think of it like receiving an unopened gift. God has given you the Holy Spirit, but by faith you have to unwrap, and begin to use the gifts He has prepared for you. You must ask Jesus to *fill* your heart, mind, and body with the Holy Spirit.

Paul says, in 1 Corinthians 14:1, to pursues love, and earnestly desire spiritual gifts. If Paul earnestly desired the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we should too. If you have not been baptized with the Holy Spirit, it is time to open your heart and be filled with His power and gifts.



#### GROUP CHAT A BIT

"...but you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." Acts 1:8

Discuss the essential nature of the word "power" as seen in this verse. Biblically what is the manifestation and context of this power?

My notes, questions & observations:				

### STEP ONE: Understanding the baptism with the Holy Spirit

There is confusion about what the baptism with the Holy Spirit means, how to get it, and the issue of speaking in tongues. Believe it or not, there are abuses of God's gifts by well-meaning Christians who are still immature in their walk with God. These abuses and extremes create confusion and apprehension. Many people struggle with fear because they do not know what receiving this gift will mean for their life. Often they do not want to come across as weird — what will God make me do that will embarrass me, or what will other people think if I live a naturally supernatural life?

#### How John the Baptist defined Jesus publicly (John 1:29-34).

- 1. Lamb of God.
- 2. A man greater than I am
- 3. The one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit and fire.
- 4. The Son of God. God's Chosen One.

It is significant to note, that the sign of the Messiah, which was revealed at Jesus' baptism, was recorded in all four gospels — that He baptizes with the Holy Spirit and fire (Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33).

#### What Jesus said

Before Jesus left this earth he gave his disciples a single command, "Go to Jerusalem and wait for the promise of the Father, which you heard about from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be **baptized with the Holy Spirit** not many days from now." He goes on to say, "...but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you..." (Acts 1:4, 8).

Which of these did Jesus refer to as the promise of the Father?
☐ The coming of the Holy Spirit to the world.
■ The baptism in the Holy Spirit.
☐ The work of the Spirit in sinners.

That sounds like a pretty important moment; it was. This was the moment that Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit from the heavenlies (Acts 2:33). Those gathered received this baptism that Jesus gave, and they all began to speak in tongues. This was a profound moment that captured the attention of "devout men of every nation under heaven" (Acts 2:5). This expression of tongues was what launched the early church and arrested everyone's attention. That very day Peter took advantage of a captive and curious audience by preaching and teaching about Jesus as the Messiah and Savior. At the conclusion of his message, those who heard were so deeply convicted, "pierced to the heart," that they asked the question all "pre-believers" ask, "What must we do to be saved?"

### Peter's answer outlined two critical steps toward salvation, and an initial result (Acts 2:38):

- **1. Step One:** Pepent by turning from your ways and walking the other direction. Remember that repentance is more than cleansing from what you did, it is also clarity for where you are going.
- **2. Step Two:** <u>be baptized</u> in the name of Jesus Christ (This is after baptism. If you have not been baptized in water, talk to a pastor).
- 3. Result: They were saved and received the <u>the gift of the Holy Spirit</u>.

This baptism with the Holy Spirit was critical to the mission of the church. This baptism gave them one essential thing — power. Note what Jesus said, "...you will receive **power** when the Holy Spirit has come upon you." (Acts 1:8). So the initial evidence of the baptism with the Holy Spirit is not speaking in tongues, it is power! This was power to witness, power to live an overcoming life, power for holiness, power to defeat the enemy of their eternity, and power to complete their mission. This baptism was, and is, essential to accomplishing God's mission on the earth. Through this impartation the law of the Spirit, and the law of life is released.



#### GROUP CHAT A BIT

Take a moment and talk about Jesus' promise and how powerful that promise must have been to the disciples. Next talk a bit about Peter's message and how it has applied to your life.

My notes, questions & observations:				

### STEP TWO: What is the gift of speaking in tongues?

Continuing on from the Day of Pentecost, the following are scriptures that give account of the baptism with the Holy Spirit accompanied by the gift of speaking in tongues:

### • Acts 8:4-25 - Philip goes to Samaria

When Philip goes to Samaria the power of God moves upon him. In Samaria many believe and are baptized in water (vs. 12). When the apostles arrive later, they hear that the Holy Spirit had not fallen on any of these new believers (vs. 16). They had been baptized into Jesus — this is the baptism of repentance. The apostles come from Jerusalem and lay hands on the Samaritans, and they receive the Holy Spirit (17). Tongues are not mentioned, but might be suggested in the fact that Simon "saw" that through the laying on of hands, people received the Holy Spirit.

### • Acts 9 - Ananias prays for Saul

Saul meets Jesus on the road to Damascus. He is struck blind, and makes his way to the house of Ananias. Notice Ananias' purpose (vs. 17), is to lay hands on Saul to heal his blindness, and to impart the gift of the Holy Spirit. After this Saul is immediately baptized. We do not read of Saul (also known as Paul) speaking in tongues at this time, but later he says, "I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than you all" I Corinthians 14:18. It is my contention that Paul received this gift the moment Ananias prayed for him.

#### • Acts 10: 44-48 - the house of Cornelius

"While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the message. All the circumcised believers who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they were hearing them speaking with tongues and exalting God. Then Peter answered,

'Surely no one can refuse the water for these to be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit **just as we did**, can he?'"

The believers who came with Peter, were amazed that these people had received the gift of the Holy Spirit. They knew the gift was received, because they heard them speaking in tongues and giving praise to the Lord.

### • Acts 19:2, 5 - the Ephesian twelve

Paul was passing through Ephesus when he came across some disciples who had received the baptism of repentance (vs. 3). Next they were baptized into the Name of Jesus. The first interaction Paul has with them, is to ask whether they had "received the Holy Spirit when they believed." Because we understand all have been given the Holy Spirit at salvation, Paul was clearly speaking of this amazing experience we call the baptism with the Holy Spirit; the unwrapping, if you will, of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts 19:6 says, "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying."

Clearly the power and focus of the early church was ignited by disciples who had received and imparted, through Jesus Christ, the baptism with the Holy Spirit.

Many, if not most who received this baptism with the Holy Spirit, also received the gift of speaking in tongues. It has always bewildered me that this topic has created controversy. The baptism with the Holy Spirit is clearly an experience that Paul promoted and encouraged.

### Three expressions or gifts of speaking in tongues:

First, I want to clarify that there are primarily two different expressions of the gift of speaking in tongues, as well as a third expression that relates to spiritual warfare.

### 1. Corporate Edification:

The first expression is a gift of tongues expressed through a believer for the benefit of the church in a group setting. This benefit is only realized when the expression is interpreted (see 1 Corinthians. 14:1-5).

### 2. Personal Edification & Power:

The second expression of tongues is for personal edification. "One who speaks in a tongue edifies himself..." I Corinthians. 14:4. The word "edify" means to build oneself up. I do not know of anyone who does not need to be built up. This is not a gift meant for the general public, because Paul clearly says it "edifies oneself." This is the Holy Spirit's gift to you — it is personal.

Paul goes on to clarify in I Corinthians. 14:14 "...For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful. What is the outcome then? I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the mind also; I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the mind also." Paul tells us that this is a language spoken by your spirit — your spirit prays. This is an important clarification that Paul gives. Paul specifically says, that praying in a tongue is praying "in the spirit." Your mind is unfruitful because you do not understand a word that is spoken; therefore, you are not praying according to human intelligence, but spiritual inspiration. This is the foreign language of heaven. This is a language the Devil cannot understand. This is your spirit communicating directly with the Spirit of God. I believe that when you come across a biblical text that references praying in the spirit, the reference is closely associated with speaking in tongues. How else are we to interpret I Corinthians. 14:14?

### 3. Warfare Worship

One more example of the power and necessity of this language is found in Ephesians 6, where Paul provides us with a powerful visual of the armor of God. We must daily put on this armor — this is spiritual warfare. After defining the various pieces of

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armor, Paul says, "With all prayer and petition pray at all times..." notice the wording here, "in the spirit..." I believe this is praying with the gift of tongues. This is a powerful expression that provides spiritual leverage against the enemy of your life. Partner this truth with Paul's comment that he "sings in the spirit," and you have a potent weapon against the enemy — warfare worship!

#### **Power for Holiness:**

We often focus on the power of the Holy Spirit moving through us with what are called the charismatic gifts; words of knowledge, prophetic revelation, healing etc. (1 Corinthians 12:4-11). This is true and powerful. This is a significant part of the baptism with the Holy Spirit, but I want to add one final and compelling facet of walking daily in the power of the Holy Spirit — *power for holiness* 

Through the active presence of the Holy Spirit in our life, we move in these gifts *and* we can live a holy life. The Holy Spirit gives us power for holiness. Peter tells us we are to live a holy life in all our behavior:

"Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy'" (1 Peter 1:14-16, NIV).

So how do we do live up to Peter's demand?

First we must define holiness. A basic definition of holiness means to be set apart — distinct. Next, we must understand *from* what, and *to* what we set apart, or

separated. At this point, I encourage you to read Romans 7 and 8, it is here that Paul gives us the answers. He tells us we are separated *from* the Law of sin and death and *to* the Law of the Spirit of life and peace. I want to be separated from fear and death; don't you!

What creates this separation, or holiness? Understand that two actions are taking place. First, Jesus' power that crushed sin and death, and second, our action. Let me clarify. It is only through Jesus' death on the cross that the power to be holy is established. As Christians, we have all the potential in the world to be holy, but just because Jesus made it possible does not mean we live holy lives.

Having said that, the transforming power of what Jesus did is activated when we "set our mind" on the Spirit of life and peace (Romans 8:6), and live in obedience to God (1 Peter 1:14a). This is a heart and mind action. The reason we struggle with sin, even after we are saved, is because we set our mind on the selfish desires of the flesh. In doing this, we lose the power of the cross, and the power of holiness. We lose it because we have activated a spiritual principle we have no power to control. This disobedient action, by spiritual law, releases death, and we are no longer separated unto holiness. Holiness and sin cannot coexist. We have literally separated ourself to sin.

On the other hand, when we set our heart and mind on the Spirit of God, we activate a different spiritual law — the Law of Life and Peace. This obedient action separates us to freedom, life, holiness, and peace. We do not have power to produce holiness, rather we release the holiness Jesus purchased on the cross when we decide to be fully "in" Christ, and walk "in" the Holy Spirit.

In essence, being set a part, or holy, has two sides. Jesus alone sets up the potential to live free and holy. Our obligation is to live with our mind set on the Spirit, and our heart obedient to His will.

Notice what Paul says in Galatians 5:16 "...walk according to the Spirit and you will not fulfill the desires of the flesh."

Time to start walking a separated and obedient life!



#### GROUP CHAT A BIT

Take some time to talk about what it means to separate yourself, and practical ways you can "walk according to the spirit." i.e., during the day what are some things you can do to stay in the spirit?

My notes, questions & observations:				

### How to embrace, and begin using the gift of tongues:

First, there is no magic formula, or a series of 1-2-3 steps that will guarantee this gift. Nothing in man can manufacture anything of God. Be encouraged by Jesus' words in Luke 11:13

"If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

Did you catch that? If you want it, God wants to give it to you! Take a moment and find a quiet place where you will have no interruption. Position yourself in a place of surrender, maybe on your knees, or with your hands lifted up. You need to center your heart and expectation upon Jesus — the baptizer with the Holy Spirit. Next begin to pray to Jesus. As in your regular walk of prayer, make sure there is no sin that hinders you. If there is, ask for forgiveness. Allow what Jesus did on the cross to put to death all sin. Once in the presence of Jesus, verbally ask Jesus to baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

Next, as you are in the process of verbalizing praise and adoration to Jesus, open your heart to the words of the Holy Spirit. Begin praising God out loud in whatever words come to you. As with any language, allow air to pass over your tongue. You will actively form words with your tongue, your breath, and your vocal cords. You will supply the sounds. These words will sound foreign or strange — that is because they are foreign. These are the words of heaven. You are speaking the mysteries of God (1 Corinthians 14:2).

These first syllables and words may seem awkward to you at first, but continue. Like a child learning to speak, you will grow. Once you have received, you need to exercise this gift daily. Tell someone know that you have received your heavenly language.

Finally, I want to encourage you to believe you have received! If no words have come, believe! Believe, because Jesus said God will give it. The apostle Paul, writing to the Galatians, said, "Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by hearing with faith?" Galatians 3:2. The answer to Paul's question, is faith. If you have asked, believe you have received!

### Walk in the Spirit daily.

May the Holy Spirit become more than some etherial heavenly entity that is foreign to you. The Holy Spirit is present in your body to impart power into your daily life. Determine that you will be dependent on the Holy Spirit for guidance and strength in all circumstances. When you are fearful, or worry, or simply need encouragement and inner strength, exercise this gift of tongues.

"Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh" (Galatians 5:16).

"If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit" (Galatians 5:25).

"For one who speaks in an [unknown] tongue speaks not to men but to God, for no one understands or catches his meaning, because in the [Holy] Spirit he utters secret truths and hidden things [not obvious to the understanding]" (I Corinthians 14:2, Amplified Version).

"And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover" (Mark 16:17-18).

### Practice praying for each other to receive the power of the Holy Spirit (Break into even numbered groups).

Based on your understanding of the scriptures, and what you have just read, it is time to pray for each other. If this is the gift the Father had in store for those waiting in Jerusalem, this is the gift for us. I believe we should pray for the power of the Holy Spirit with the expectation that the gift of tongues will be released. Though the idea of "practice" may feel odd, remember you are working to prepare yourself for the moment when someone asks you to pray for them to receive the baptism with the Holy Spirit, or you feel pressed to ask them if they desire it.

If the person you are praying with feels the drawing of the Holy Spirit to speak in tongues and desires it, encourage them. Remember Jesus will fill them, but they need to make their tongue move, and force breath through their vocal chords — that is how language works. If you have the gift of speaking in tongues, join with them as they begin to release their language.

How to pray: Keep in mind, Jesus is the baptizer with the Holy Spirit, not you:

"So Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.' And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit'" (John 20:21-22).

### First things first.

- 1. Make sure they have accepted Jesus as their Savior
- 2. Make sure they have resolved, and been forgiven of any lifestyle of sin
- 3. They must desire to be filled (John 7:37-39)
- 4. Ask in faith
- 5. Worship God
- 6. Be patient for God's timing



### **Culture Connection** (Connecting Jesus to your culture):

Be ready and available to lead someone into the baptism with the Holy Spirit

- **Pray** each morning that the Holy Spirit would lead you to someone who is prepared and ready. This gift is not something that would probably happen at work. It would probably be something you would pray for in a more private setting, such as someone's home, a small group, or even at church.
- **Listen** This gift is given by Jesus He is the baptizer, so you need to listen especially close to His leading. In conversation you may feel the "nudge" to ask someone if they have been baptized with the Holy Spirit. If they have not been baptized, ask them if they are interested in this gift, especially with the blessing of a heavenly language.
- **Share** your story, and if the Holy Spirit leads, pray for them to be baptized with power.



#### **DECIDE TO GO DEEPER WITH DEVOTION!**

On page 22 you will find a 21 Day Devotional focused on the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit.



At the end of the week, take a moment and jot down your experiences.

- Were any doors opened?
- Did you follow through on what Jesus was telling you?
- Did you feel uncomfortable?
- Did you pray with anyone to be baptized with power?
- Write down any questions you may have for your teacher.

• Make note of those you prayed for and continue to lift them up in prayer.



Welcome to taking your walk with the Holy Spirit deeper. Over the next 21 days I encourage you to carve out a special time of your day to spend in reading, listening, and prayer. Remember the enemy of your life will attempt to discourage you, and more strategically he will try to distract you. You must make the choice today to aggressively resist his tactics, and guard your time. I suggest making your devotional time an "appointment" on your calendar. If you miss a day, don't beat yourself up, simply get back to it and keep seeking and listening.

Here are some simple instructions on how to use your devo time effectively.

- Create a sacred place to have your devotion.
- Pray to the Holy Spirit—invite Him into the everyday moments of your life, and into your time of devotional reading and prayer.
- Exercise your heavenly language, or continue to pursue it.
- Practice the lost art of listening.
- Finally, recording what you heard and how you will respond. I have provided a blank area so you can write, or draw your take-a-way.

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## Scripture:

Acts 1:4-5

"And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

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## Scripture:

Acts 1:8

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

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## Scripture:

Acts 8:14-17

"Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit."

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Acts 10:44-47

"While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, 'Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?""

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Acts 19:1b-6

"There he found some disciples. And he said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?' And they said, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' And he said. 'Into what then were you baptized?' They said, 'Into John's baptism.' And Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying."

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1 Corinthians 14:2-4

"For one who speaks in a tongue speaks not to men but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit. On the other hand, the one who prophesies speaks to people for their upbuilding and encouragement and consolation. The one who speaks in a tongue builds up himself, but the one who prophesies builds up the church."

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Acts 2:38

"Now when they heard this [the gospel] they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?'And Peter said to them, 'Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

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## Scripture:

1 Corinthians 14:12-15

"So with yourselves, since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church. Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray that he may interpret. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also."

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## Scripture:

Galatians 5:16-17

"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do."

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## Scripture

Galatians 5:24-25

"And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit."

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Mark 16:17-18

"And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

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John 20:21-11

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit."

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### Scripture:

John 14:26

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you."

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### Scripture:

Matthew 3:11

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

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### Scripture:

Mark 13:11

"And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit."

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## Scripture:

Luke 4:1-2

"And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days."

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Luke 11:13

"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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Acts 2:33

"Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing."

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## Scripture:

Acts 4:31

"And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness."

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Ephesians 3:14-19

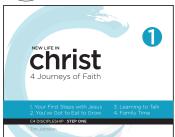
"For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

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## My thoughts

Take a moment and journal about your experience over the past 21 days. What was significant? What changed in your heart? What emotions did you process? What are you going to do now to maintain what you have begun, and how are you going to share you experience?		

## C4 Discipleship Pathway



**New Life in Christ** is an easy to follow workbook written for new believers or those wanting to understand the basics of the faith. Participants walk through four journeys:

- 1. First Steps the basics of the faith
- 2. You've Got to Eat to Grow personal feeding
- 3. Learning to Talk understanding prayer
- 4. Family Time understanding church family



**kingdom core** helps participants develop personal standards, cultivate lifemanagement skills, understand church community values, and why relevance is important.

- Cultivation: Personal disciplines
- · Obedience: Personal standards
- Relevance: A church connected
- Environment: Church culture and atmosphere



**created** helps participants drill deep into who they are and how they can make a difference in their world.

- Uniquely created
- Natural gift assessment
- How experiences shape our lives
- Unique relational style makes a difference
- Spiritual gift assessment
- How to fit into the world and culture



**supernatural culture** teaches participants six ministry how-tos every believer should know:

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- 2. How to pray for the power of the Holy Spirit
- 3. How to pray for healing
- 4. How to hear from God
- 5. How to wage war in the Spirit
- 6. How to become a disciple maker

### **INTERACTIVE FEATURES**



### Bird pecking:

A chance to "dig deeper!"



#### Bird chirping:

Take time to chat about it.



#### Bird with worm

Additional scriptures or info-links to further your study



#### Look it up now:

Stop and look up these key verses.

#### Series can be taught as follows:

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  - 4-part class
- 3-part class, or weekend workshop
- 4-part class
- 6-part class

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