

October 20 Discussion Questions - Power

Acts 2:1-21

Review

QUESTION: What is the “greater work” the Holy Spirit came to do? (*John 14:12*)

MAIN POINT: The Holy Spirit came to prepare and empower us to share the gospel. (*Acts 1:8*)

1. PREPARATION FOR EVANGELISM = The Holy Spirit’s work IN you.

A. The Holy Spirit breathes life into the Church. (*v.2*)

B. The Holy Spirit lives within ALL of God’s unholy people. (*v.3; 2 Cor. 4:7*)

C. The Holy Spirit intends to transform every part of who we are. (*v.4*)

2. POWER FOR EVANGELISM = The Holy Spirit’s work THROUGH you.

A. God sent the Holy Spirit to express His love for all people. (*v.5-8; John 3:16*)

B. The Holy Spirit arranges opportunities for others to find Christ. (*Acts 17:26*)

1. This encourages expectancy. (*1 Cor. 16:7; 1 Pet. 3:15*)

2. This grants us peace. (*Mat. 7:6*)

C. The Holy Spirit gives us boldness to share Christ with others. (*v.14; Acts 4:23-31*)

D. The Holy Spirit’s blessing accompanies our evangelism. (*v.37-41*)

3. APPLICATION: Since you have been prepared and empowered to share the gospel, to whom will you reach out this week?

Connect

1. Share about a time when you ran out of resources or got lost. How did you feel, and how did the situation get resolved?
2. While the Holy Spirit is a resource and guide for us, why do we often neglect His help?

Read Acts 2:1-21

Discuss

3. What stands out to you in this passage? What’s hard to understand?
4. What is the significance of the Holy Spirit confusing their languages? How is this similar and different from what happened at the Tower of Babel (Gen 11:1-9)?

5. What does the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost teach us about God's providence in evangelism?
6. How does the Holy Spirit empower us to share the Gospel?

Apply

7. What makes evangelism challenging for you? How do you think the Holy Spirit can help?
8. How can the Holy Spirit use your story to specifically minister to someone?
9. Are there any opportunities you sense the Holy Spirit has recently given you for sharing Christ? How do you intend to respond?

Pray

10. Who is one person in your life that doesn't know Christ? Spend time praying that the Holy Spirit would use you to reach them with the Gospel.