

# Acts: Encountering the Holy Spirit

A Spirit Filled Church



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## CHURCH - A MOVEMENT THAT IS GATHERED AROUND A MISSION

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”*

**Acts 1:8 (NIV)**

*He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”*

**Luke 24:46-49 (NIV)**

*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.*

**Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)**

## A SPIRIT FILLED CHURCH...

*They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.*

**Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)**

### 1. IS DEVOTED TO GOD’S WORD

*“They devoted themselves to the **apostles’ teaching...**”*

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### 2. IS DEVOTED TO EACH OTHER

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles teaching and to **fellowship...**”*

### 3. IS DEVOTED TO GOD’S PRESENCE

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the **breaking of bread...**”*

### 4. IS DEVOTED TO PRAYER

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to **prayer.**”*

### 5. IS DEVOTED TO GENEROSITY

*“They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.”*

## HOW DO I BECOME FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT?

*When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”*

*Peter replied, “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. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off- for all whom the Lord our God will call.”*

**Acts 2:37-39 (NIV)**