

## Supplemental Scriptures

Habakkuk 3:2 Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord. Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.

Luke 11:11-13 “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Luke 3:21-22 When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

John 16:8 When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment.

Acts 2:43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Ephesians 4:11-13 So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Acts 7:54-58 When the members of the Sanhedrin heard this, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.” At this they covered their ears and, yelling at the top of their voices, they all rushed at him, dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

## Ghost Stories — Ron Marsh

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### Need Power? Just Ask! Luke 11:11-13

The Holy Spirit’s primary objective is to make you like \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Three Ways to Tap into the Power of the Spirit

1. Make the connection between prayer and the Holy Spirit.

Prayer reveals two things about your faith:

You are \_\_\_\_\_ of your desperate need for God.

You are \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s desire to meet your need.

Your desperate prayer will lead to God’s deliverance in \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Identify the presence of the Holy Spirit.

He exposes \_\_\_\_\_ and inspires heartfelt worship.

He transforms your \_\_\_\_\_ and behaviors.

He displays God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and equips you for ministry.

The Holy Spirit empowers you to help others \_\_\_\_\_ God.

3. Invite the Holy Spirit into your life.

\_\_\_\_\_ your eyes to heaven and pray.

\_\_\_\_\_ your life of you and ask to be filled with Him.

\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus with confidence and power.

The Holy Spirit often uses your pain to draw others into God’s

\_\_\_\_\_.

### Life Group Ice Breaker

1. What did you do the last time the power went out in your home? What changes in your life when the power is out?

### Discussion Questions

2. Regarding this sermon, is there any truth that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
3. What is the Holy Spirit's primary purpose in your life? How does He give you the power that you need?
4. What is the relationship between prayer and the Holy Spirit's power at work in you? Why do you think we struggle to make prayer part of our daily lives?

5. What does this spiritual transformation look like? What does Galatians 5:22-23 call this work of the Spirit in us?

6. Read Acts 7. Verse 55 says that Stephen was "full of the Holy Spirit". How do you see the power of the Holy Spirit at work in his life as he faced death? How did the Holy Spirit use Stephen's painful death?

### Application Questions & Prayer

7. What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you about regarding your prayer life? His presence? His power? Your pain?
8. What are you aware of that you need to do to "empty your life of you so you can be filled with Him"? Pray that His power will be made perfect in your weakness.