



PURSUE: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word
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Acts Lesson 2 Lecture Notes
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“...you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2: 38

1. The Coming of the Holy Spirit promised. Acts 1:4-8

- A. The Holy Spirit is promised to all _____ as a gift, marking the new era of the church. This gift empowers, guides, and sanctifies Christians.*
- B. Jesus promised in John 14:16, “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever;”*

Another- *The Greek word specifically means ‘another of the same _____’ i.e., someone like Jesus Himself who will take His place and do His work.*

Helper- *idea of someone who encourages and exhorts. One who comforts, indwells you with His presence, teaches you, and empowers you to witness and _____ the _____. Acts 1:8 “but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon; and you shall be my witnesses...”*

Witnesses- *The Greek word means ‘a _____’ “one who dies for his faith” because that was commonly the _____ of witnessing.*

Jesus told His followers that the world _____ Him, and that if they followed Him the world would hate them too (John 15:18-19).

2 Timothy 3:12 states, “all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be _____”

- C. God promised to pour out His Spirit in the Old Testament (Joel 2:28-29) (Acts 2:17-21).*

2. The gift of the Holy Spirit

- A. This word gift in Greek is dorea. It means a free gift, a gift (without repayment).*
- B. As Christians we receive two gifts: The gift of _____ and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Read Acts 2:38-39*

The Ministries of the Holy Spirit (just a few are listed):

- The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin John 16:8-11*
- Regenerates sinful hearts 2 Cor. 5:17, Eph. 2:4*
- Brings sinners to repentance Read Acts 11:15-18*

- *Enables fellowship with God Colossians 1:13-14, Romans 8:14-17*
- *Indwells the believer Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 3:16*
- *Seals salvation forever Romans 8:38-39, John 10:27-29, Eph. 1:13-14 READ*

C. “The Holy Spirit is involved in every aspect of salvation- from _____ to _____ to glorification. Yet, in specific and unique ways, the Bible highlights His work of convicting, regenerating, converting, adopting, indwelling, and securing.” John MacArthur

D. _____ worship is the only appropriate response to God for the Spirit’s divine work within us!

3. What does it look like to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

“And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” Acts 2:4

Ephesians 5:18 tells us to “be filled with the Spirit”.

This means we are to continually live under the Spirit’s influence through obedience to the word. We pursue purity, confess sin, die to self, and surrender to God’s will. (Galatians 2:20)

“If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.” Galatians 5:25

Seek to live a life that follows Jesus. Luke 4:1

2 Timothy 1:6 NKJV “Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you...”