



Finding **Power**, **Perseverance**,
and **Purpose** in the Holy Spirit

AT HOME STUDY

WEEK ONE

Find a time each day to read the passage of scripture. Follow the daily prayer prompt and then pray this prayer together:

God we call upon your Spirit knowing that it's risky, knowing that you might really move. Knowing that the power that comes with your Spirit will move us to live out your purpose for us. We thank you for the good news that announces our salvation. Be our guide as we pray and prepare for you to spread that good news all over the world. Amen.

MONDAY: ACTS 1.6-8

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 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."

- What would you do differently today if you knew that Jesus was coming back tomorrow?
- Pray for an image of what a kingdom restored by Jesus would look like.

TUESDAY: ACTS 1.9-11

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

- Have you ever felt like Jesus was right in front of you one minute and gone the next? Sometimes we need someone to remind us of the promises of Jesus. Who reminds you of his promises?
- Pray for God to surround you with people who will remind you of Jesus' promises here on earth.

WEDNESDAY: ACTS 2.1-4

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.

- The promised Spirit came in a powerful way. What can you do today to be prepared for a surprising entrance of the Holy Spirit in your life?
- Pray for the Spirit to show up in surprising ways.

THURSDAY: ACTS 2.42

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

- Sometimes we break bread and pray at new beginnings like the celebration of a birth, a graduation, promotion, or marriage. Why is it so important to stop for teaching, fellowship, eating, and praying?
- Pray for a heart devoted to study, fellowship and prayer.

FRIDAY: ACTS 2.43-45

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.

- What wonders and signs have had you in awe recently? When have you felt compelled to share with someone in need in the last few months?
- Pray for awe and wonder in response to God's work around you.

SATURDAY: ACTS 2.46-47

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.

- These early believers were very consistent in meeting together. It's like they were focused on responding to the promises that were already being fulfilled. Have you ever tried to hold onto an especially powerful moment or season? Describe.
- Pray for consistency in meeting together with other followers of Jesus.