



CULTIVATING A
COME HOLY SPIRIT
COMMUNITY

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Sermon Notes

The Holy Spirit INSPIRES COMMUNITY

NOT JUST PERSONAL MINISTRY

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. *1 Corinthians 12:12-14*

I. Acts 1:1-2

¹ IN MY FORMER book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach **² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen.**

The Holy Spirit INSTRUCTS the Community...

TO WISDOM AND CHARACTER

“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³ But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. ¹⁵ All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.” *John 16:12-15*

II. Acts 1:3

³ After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

The Holy Spirit INSTILLS the Community...

WITH A FRESH UNDERSTANDING OF GOD'S WORD

We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. 2 Peter 1:19-21

III. Acts 1:4-5

⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

The Holy Spirit INFUSES the Community...

WITH ECSTATIC EXPERIENCES THAT HAVE MEANING

Paul said, "John's baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus." ⁵ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied. ⁷ There were about twelve men in all. Acts 19:4-7

IV. Acts 1:6-8

⁶ So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ 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."

The Holy Spirit IMPACTS the Community...

WITH AN EMPOWERMENT FOR MINISTRY

I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. 1Corinthians 2:3-5