

Unlocking Miracles with the Spirit's Power Everyday Supernatural Living – Part 12

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Pray Daily for your Five Friends Focus

Acts 1:8a (ESV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses ...

John 14:26 (ESV) But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

Romans 8:26 (ESV) Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.

1. The Spirit's Power Overcomes _____

Acts 8:1 (ESV) And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

Acts 8:5 (ESV) Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ.

Acts 8:6-7 (ESV) And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed.

Acts 8:12 (ESV) But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

2. The Spirit's Power Brings _____

Acts 8:7 (ESV) For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed.

Acts 8:9, 13 (ESV) But there was a man named Simon, who had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the people of Samaria, ... Even Simon himself believed, and after being baptized he continued with Philip. And seeing signs and great miracles performed, he was amazed.

Acts 8:8 (ESV) So there was much joy in that city.

3. The Spirit's Power Confirms the _____

Acts 8:14-16 (ESV) Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 8:17-18 (ESV) Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money,

Acts 8:19-22 (ESV) saying, "Give me this power also, so that anyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit." But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money! You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart is not right before God. Repent, therefore ...

Unlocking Miracles with the Spirit's Power Study Guide

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Intro. What are some miracles that you'd like to unlock in your life or the life of someone else?

How does a person receive God's supernatural power (Acts 1:8)?

What does Jesus promise that the Holy Spirit will do for you (John 14:26)?

What will be the result of a perfect prayer by the Holy Spirit for your need in time of weakness (Romans 8:26)?

1A. What purpose did God have in scattering the early church beyond Jerusalem through persecution (Acts 8:1)?

1B. What was significant about Philip preaching the Gospel in Samaria (Acts 8:5)?

1C. What made the crowds pay attention to the message Philip proclaimed (Acts 8:6-7)?

1D. What was the immediate result of Philip's preaching (Acts 8:12)?

1E. What barriers in your life do you desire to see overcome through the Spirit's power?

2A. How did Philip's ministry parallel the ministry of Jesus (Acts 8:7)?

2B. What is amazing about Simon's conversion to believing (Acts 8:9, 13)?

2C. Why did Philip's ministry bring joy to the city of Samaria (Acts 8:8)?

2D. What areas in your life need miracles of healing and/or freedom?

3A. What does Acts 8:14-16 tell us about the difference between believing, being water baptized and being Spirit baptized?

3B. Based on other passages in Acts, what was the sign that Simon saw when believers were Spirit baptized by the laying on of hands (Acts 8:17-18)?

3C. Why do you think Simon was tempted to try to buy the spiritual power to help believers receive Spirit baptism (Acts 8:19-22)?

3D. Why is it essential for every believer to be Spirit baptized?