

Who You Are and What You Do

Plugged into the Source:

Living in the Power of the Spirit

July 31 & August 1, 2010

1. What God wants:

•He wants people to _____, _____, follow, and serve him.

1 Tim 2:3,4; 2 Peter 3:9

2. What God did:

•He _____ _____ to bring us back into a relationship with him.

1 John 4:9; Gal 4:4,5

•He also _____ _____ to join him in the family business.

2 Cor 5:18-20

3. How God empowers us to play a part in his plan:

•The Holy Spirit _____ _____ to equip us to serve in ministry.

1 Cor 12; Rom 12:3-8; 1 Peter 4:10,11

•The Holy Spirit _____ _____ in our lives so we reflect Christian character.

Gal 5:22,23

4. What the modern church has done with the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit.

•Christians tend to _____ gifts.

•Christians tend to _____ fruit.

5. How we should respond to God concerning the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit.

•We should prioritize _____ we _____ over _____ we _____.

Questions for Personal Reflection And Group Discussion

1. Many people base their identity on what they can accomplish. That is one of the reasons why being unemployed can be so emotionally devastating. If you suddenly learned that you could not do the things that give your life meaning, what would you have left?

2. Quickly summarize: what does God want and what did he do about it?

3. God calls Christians to be involved in the process that leads others to become Christians. How do the gifts and fruit of the Spirit play a part in this?

4. What did you learn about the gifts of the Spirit from your reading in 1 Cor. 12?

5. What jumped out at you concerning the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22,23)?

6. Why is the list of negative characteristics referred to as “deeds” but the list of positive traits is called “fruit?” What insight can we glean about how these qualities are produced from these different designations?

7. How would the Willamette Valley be affected if Christians really displayed these positive qualities consistently? How would your family life change if you gave control over to the Holy Spirit?

8. How has God gifted you? Are you using your spiritual gifts to be a blessing to others?

9. Read John 15:1-8. How does this add to your understanding of how God gets things done?

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- He sent Jesus to bring us back into a relationship with him.

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3. How God empowers us to play a part in his plan:

- The Holy Spirit gives gifts to equip us to serve in ministry.

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- The Holy Spirit produces fruit in our lives so we reflect Christian character.

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4. What the modern church has done with the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit.

- Christians tend to overemphasize the gifts.

- Christians tend to underemphasize the fruit.

5. How we should respond to God concerning the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit.

- We should prioritize who we are over what we do.