"The Work of the Holy Spirit in our Witness"

Acts 1:8

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I. The Giving of the Holy Spirit

In Acts 1:8 Jesus talks about the giving of the Holy Spirit. How would you describe the Holy Spirit to someone?

What do the following verses tell us about the work of the Holy Spirit? Genesis 1:2, Job 33:4, Genesis 41:38, 2 Peter 1:21, Nehemiah 9:30.

What connection does the Holy Spirit have to our faith in Jesus according to the following verses? Romans 8:9, Ephesians 1:13-14, 1 Corinthians 6:19.

What is the evidence of the Holy Spirit's work according to Galatians 5:22-23?

The Holy Spirit enables our service. What does 1 Corinthians 12:1,4, 7 tell us about the gifts of the Holy Spirit?

II. Getting the Power

According to Acts 1:8 what does the Holy Spirit bring into our lives?

What various kinds of power are evident in our world today? How do we gain this power and become even more powerful?

What is the power referred to in Acts 1:8? How do you gain this power?

What do Luke 18:27 and Ephesians 3:20 tell us about God's power?

What are ways that God's power is limited in and through us?

What is the message about our power in God found in 2 Corinthians 12:9? Why is God's power more evident in the midst of our weaknesses?

III. Going: Show and Tell

What does Acts 1:8 tell us we will be equipped by the Holy Spirit of God to do?

How would you define the word "witnesses"? How does 1 John 1:1-3 describe it?

Being a witness is more than just knowing and experiencing something yourself. What does 1 John 1:1-3 say that we need to do? Walk through it verse by verse.

How is our proclamation more than just our words? What is most important about the proclamation that happens by our actions?

How does believing that we are on mission for God change how we live?

Describe how being the hands and the feet of Jesus match up with being the mouth of Jesus. How does 1 Peter 3:15 direct us in this?