

Chappelle Memorial AME Church

Walking in the Spirit

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LESSON 1

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: JOHN 14:16-17

1. WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. Comparison to Humanity
 - i. He is a Person, not a substance, or an impersonal force.
 - ii. The human personality consists of three parts:
 - 1. The mind:

- 2. The will:

- 3. The emotion:

iii. QUESTION: What does the Scriptures below say about the Personality of the Holy Spirit?

1. Romans 15:30

2. 1 Corinthians 2:11

3. 1 Corinthians 12:11

iv. The Holy Spirit can be treated the same way we would treat other people. According to the following passages, the Holy Spirit can be:

1. Acts 10:19-21

2. Acts 7:51

3. 1 Thessalonians 5:19

4. Acts 5:3

5. Ephesians 4:30

6. Hebrews 10:29

b. Characteristics of Divinity

i. He is God: The Spirit is a unique person, for He is God. If God is a person, and if the Spirit is also God, then He is a person also.

1. Observation Exercise: Read the following Scriptures and make notes of anything you notice about the Holy Spirit:

a. Job 33:4

b. Psalm 139:7-10

c. 1 Corinthians 2:10-12

d. Hebrews 9:14

2. From the passages above, we have found 4 basic characteristics of the Holy Spirit's divinity. They are:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

c. Functions of Divinity

i. Because the Holy Spirit is God, He functions as God as well. The following Scriptures reveal some God-like acts (i.e. acts that only God can do) of the Holy Spirit:

1. Genesis 1:1-2

2. Luke 1:35

3. John 16:8-11

4. 2 Peter 1:20-21

d. Three in One

i. God is a Being existing in three Persons, which we refer to as the Trinity:

1. God the Father
2. God the Son
3. God the Holy Spirit

ii. Related Scriptures of the understanding of the Trinity

1. Deuteronomy 6:4
2. Genesis 1:26
3. Isaiah 6:8
4. Matthew 28:19
5. Matthew 3:17
6. John 14:26
7. 1 Peter 1:2

iii. Analogies to attempt to describe the existence of the Trinity

1. Man as a son, husband, and father
2. Water as liquid, solid (ice), and gas (vapor or steam)
3. Dimensions of space: width, length, and height
4. Conclusion: No analogy is totally reflective of the Trinity.

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain the three aspects of the personality of the Holy Spirit.
- Use the Scriptures to define and defend the Trinity.
- Quote or paraphrase John 14:16-17.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize John 7:37-39.

WEEK 2

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: JOHN 7:37-39

2. WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO (pt. 1)

- a. Past Performances
 - i. Holy Spirit became active in our lives the moment we trusted Christ for salvation. The five specific acts of the Holy Spirit in our lives are as follows:
 - 1. He Regenerates Your Spirit.
 - 2. He Indwells Your Body.
 - 3. He Seals Your Future.
 - 4. He Guarantees Your Inheritance.
 - 5. He Records Your Membership.
- b. He Regenerates Your Spirit.
 - i. Read and process Titus 3:5

- ii. Define regeneration using Titus 3:5.
 - iii. List one fact that proves you were regenerated by the Holy Spirit.
- c. He Indwells Your Body.
 - i. Read and process 1 Corinthians 3:16

- ii. Define indwelling using 1 Corinthians 3:16.
 - iii. Billy Graham said, "If we realized that God Himself in the person of the Holy Spirit really dwells in our bodies, we would be for more careful about what we eat, drink, look at and read."
 - 1. What is your inward response to this statement?
 - iv. List one fact that proves the Holy Spirit lives in you.
- d. He Seals Your Future.
 - i. Read and process Ephesians 1:13 and 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

- ii. Define "seal" using Titus 3:5 and 1 Corinthians 6:19-20.

- iii. What are some implications from the statement, “You are not your own” and “you have been bought with a price”?
- iv. Since it is possible to not “feel” secure in Christ at times, we can never be separated from the love of God in Christ (Rom. 8:38-39).
- e. He Guarantees Your Inheritance.
 - i. Read and process 2 Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians 1:14

- ii. Define earnest (KJV), deposit (NIV), or pledge (NASB) using 2 Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians 1:14.
- iii. Explain the concept of earnest money and when will the transaction be complete.
- f. He Records Your Membership.
 - i. Read and process 1 Corinthians 12:13

- ii. Define the term “baptized into one body” using 1 Corinthians 12:13.
- iii. Explain the “real meaning” of the baptism of the Holy Spirit.
- g. Personal Reflection
 - i. Of the five past acts of the Holy Spirit listed below, the one I am most excited about is (circle one):
 - 1. He regenerated my spirit.
 - 2. He indwelt my body.
 - 3. He sealed my future.
 - 4. He guaranteed my inheritance.
 - 5. He recorded my membership.
 - ii. The act that convicts me of sin is _____.

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain the five specific acts of the Holy Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase John 7:37-39.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Luke 4:1, 14.

LESSON 3

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: LUKE 4:1, 14

3. WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO (pt. 2)

a. Present Potential

- i. Using the passages below, write down what the Holy Spirit is able and willing to do for you at this time in your life.

1. Romans 8:16

2. 1 Corinthians 2:9-12, Psalm 119:18

3. John 14:16, 16:7

4. Romans 8:26-27

5. John 16:13

6. Acts 1:8; Romans 8:12-13

- b. He Assures Your Heart – Romans 8:16
- i. How does it work? Read 1 John 1:8-9.
 1. What is your job?
 2. What is His job?
- c. He Helps You Understand the Bible – _____
- i. How does it work? Read Psalm 119:18.
 - ii. The difference between revelation and illumination
- d. He Comforts Your Emotions – _____
- i. How does it work? Read Philippians 4:6-7.
 - ii. Describe a time when you felt the comfort of the Holy Spirit.
- e. He Intercedes for You – _____
- i. How does it work? Give testimonials.
- f. He Guides You – _____
- i. How does it work? Read John 16:13 again.
 - ii. Take a minute to pray for guidance for the decisions facing you right now.
- g. He Empowers Your Life and Ministry – _____
- i. How does it work? Compare Matthew 26:41 with Acts 4:8.

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain the six ministries of the Holy Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase Luke 4:1, 14.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Galatians 5:19-21.

LESSON 4

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: GALATIANS 5:19-21

4. WHY AM I NOT EXPERIENCING THE HOLY SPIRIT'S POWER?

- a. Causes of Spiritual Poverty
 - i. Lack of the Holy Spirit's presence
 - ii. Lack of instruction about the Holy Spirit's presence
 - iii. Lack of obedience to God's will in Scripture
- b. Characteristics of Spiritual Poverty
 - i. Read Romans 7:14-24 and find three characteristics of spiritual poverty.
 1. Frustrated – v. 15
 2. Defeated – v. 19
 3. Miserable – v. 24
 - ii. Read the paragraph on pg. 49.
 1. *"No doubt every believer experiences some degree of spiritual frustration and defeat. But the issue in Romans 7 is an ongoing pattern of defeat, not an occasional slip. If you or someone you love currently lives in the slums of Romans 7, chances are you're thinking about a relocation."*
- c. Conquering Spiritual Poverty
 - i. Galatians 5:16-18

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- ii. Two types of Christians are found in this passage (pg. 50):
 1. One that walks according to the flesh.
 2. One that walks according to the Spirit.
 - iii. Three commands on how to conquer spiritual poverty (pgs. 52-53)
 1. Ephesians 4:30 – _____
 2. Ephesians 5:18 – _____
 3. 1 Thessalonians 5:19 – _____

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain the causes and characteristics of spiritual poverty.
- Be able to explain how to conquer spiritual poverty.
- Quote or paraphrase Galatians 5:19-21.

- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Ephesians 4:30.

LESSON 5

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: EPHESIANS 4:30

5. HOW DO I GRIEVE THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. From reading the first three paragraphs on page 55, _____ is what Sarah, Bob, and Betty have in common.
- b. Grieving God
 - i. To grieve the Holy Spirit means

c. Ways We Grieve God

- i. Immorality (p. 58)
 - ii. Impurity (p. 58)
 - 1. Proverbs 4:23
 - iii. Sensuality (p. 59)
 - iv. Idolatry (p. 60)
 - v. Sorcery (p. 61)
 - vi. Enmities (p. 61)
 - vii. Strife (p. 61)
 - 1. According to Proverbs 17:14 and Philippians 2:3-4, strife can be prevented by _____.
 - viii. Jealousy (p. 61)
 - ix. Outburst of Anger (p. 62)
 - 1. According to Proverbs 14:29, 17:27, and 25:28, what is the opposite of “angry outbursts?”
 - 2. According to Proverbs 22:24-25, we should avoid hot-tempered people because _____.
 - x. Disputes (p. 63)
 - 1. According to Proverbs 15:1, the best defense against an argument is _____.
 - xi. Dissension (p. 63)
 - xii. Factions (p. 63)
 - 1. Using Paul’s example in 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, the best way to deal with factions is to
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- xiii. Envying (p. 64)
- xiv. Drunkenness (p. 64)
- xv. Carousings (p. 65)
- xvi. The deeds (or works) of the flesh:

1. Anti-Truth (John 14:17)
 2. Anti-Holiness (Romans 1:4)
 3. Anti-Grace (Hebrews 10:29)
- d. Deterrents from Grieving the Spirit (p. 66)
- i. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO GIVE IN TO THE DESIRES OF THE FLESH!
 - ii. How does 1 John 1:9 help us?
- e. Application
- i. Read Ephesians 4:29

- ii. Based on this passage, if you have grieved the Holy Spirit with your words, take time to repent now.

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain how we can grieve the Holy Spirit.
- Be able to explain how we can avoid grieving the Holy Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase Ephesians 4:30.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize 1 Thessalonians 5:19.

LESSONS 6 & 7

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:19

6. HOW DO I QUENCH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. Define "Quench" (pgs. 69-70) _____
 - i. To quench the Holy Spirit is to _____.
- b. Demonstrating a Quenching of the Holy Spirit (pg. 70)
 - i. Organizational framework
 1. We can _____ what the Holy Spirit wants to do _____ you.
 2. We can _____ what the Holy Spirit wants to do _____ you.
 3. We can _____ what the Holy Spirit wants to do _____ you.
- c. Refusing His Work For You (pg. 71)
 - i. He wants to provide insight and understanding (1 Cor. 2:12).
 - ii. He wants to comfort you in times of trouble and special need (John 14:16).
 - iii. He wants to give you wisdom and guidance (Rom. 8:14).
 1. Common means of the Holy Spirit's guidance:
 - a. Bible study
 - b. Prayer
 - c. Insight of spiritual leaders and other believers
- d. Rejecting His Work in You (pg. 73)
 - i. Examine the scenario on page 74.
 - ii. Identify two of the following ways the Holy Spirit has worked in you at one time or another, but you rejected Him:
 1. _____ identified an attitude or behavior to change or cultivate
 2. _____ nudged you to spend time in prayer
 3. _____ nudged you to read the Bible
 4. _____ nudged you to spend time in private worship (praising Him, singing songs to Him)
 5. _____ reminded you of His power to help you resist temptation
 6. _____ other: _____
 - iii. Describe the incidents. **If you want to skip this exercise, you are rejecting Him right now, in which case you should write about this incident.**
 1. Incident #1:

2. Incident #2:

e. Resisting His Work through You (pg. 76)

- i. The ultimate purpose of God working _____ you and _____ you is so that He can work _____ you.

ii. Read Acts 1:8 to understand how the Holy Spirit works through you. The Holy Spirit is often resisted in the following ways:

1. Turning down opportunities for lay ministry in the local church.
2. Giving in to feelings of inadequacy when asked to serve or assume leadership in a service project.
3. Muzzling the voice of the Holy Spirit when being urged or nudged to share Christ with a coworker.

f. Deterrents to Quenching the Spirit (pg. 77)

- i. Illustration of an outdoor fire: two elements are needed for outdoor fire to burn:

1. Fuel (brush or trees)
2. Oxygen (wind)

- ii. The Holy Spirit wants to set a blaze in your life, but you need to supply the _____ and the _____.

- iii. The Holy Spirit's primary fuel supply is the _____.

1. Your sensitivity to the Holy Spirit depends on your exposure to God's word.
2. Question: Are you taking advantage of every opportunity to learn God's word?

- iv. The only way to increase the flow of oxygen to fan the flames of the Holy Spirit is to _____ to His _____.

1. The difference between your conscience and the inner prompting of the Holy Spirit is knowing where it comes from.
2. Question: What are you being prompted to do?

3. Is it clearly supported in Scripture? The Holy Spirit will NEVER lead you to contradict or disobey the word of God.
4. The following are some of the characteristics of the Holy Spirit's promptings:

He will ALWAYS

confirm scripture
be specific
convict
lead you
be simple
motivate you to faith
focus primarily on changing you inwardly
emphasize character
be true
be clear
restore relationships
major on your faults and others' needs
lead you to do something

He will NEVER

contradict scripture
be general
condemn
push or drive you
be complicated
create fear in you
focus on changing you outwardly
emphasizes circumstances
be false
be confusing
destroy relationships
major on others' faults and your needs
lead you to overdo something

- a. Think of the last time you were prompted by the Holy Spirit. How were you convinced that it was the Holy Spirit?

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain how we can quench the Holy Spirit.
- Be able to explain how we can avoid quenching the Holy Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase 1 Thessalonians 5:19.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Ephesians 5:18.

LESSON 8

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: EPHESIANS 5:18

7. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE "FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?"

- a. What is the Holy Spirit's "Filling?" (pgs. 86-88)
 - i. Fill in the blank using the following words: control, fire, love
 1. According to the Holy Spirit, grieving is a _____ word.
 2. According to the Holy Spirit, quenching is a _____ word.
 3. According to the Holy Spirit, filling is a _____ word.
 - ii. Read and analyze Ephesians 5:18.
 - iii. To be filled with the Spirit is for _____ to receive more of _____.
 - iv. If _____ the Holy Spirit is saying _____ (yes or no) to _____ and _____ the Holy Spirit is saying _____ (yes or no) to _____, then being filled with the Holy Spirit is saying _____ (yes or no) to _____ and _____ (yes or no) to _____.
- b. How Does the Holy Spirit's "Filling" Show? (pg. 88)
 - i. Examine the following passages to determine how to tell if someone is filled with the Spirit:
 1. Acts 1:8

2. 1 Corinthians 12:7-11

3. Galatians 5:19-25

4. Ephesians 5:18-21

5. 2 Peter 1:19-21

- ii. The illustration of “the second wind” (pgs. 89-90)
 1. When an athlete thinks he can’t go on, suddenly a change in his metabolism increases his adrenalin and gives him the energy to keep going.
 2. The Holy Spirit is like a “second wind” for the believer. Read Philippians 4:13 and 2:13.
- iii. There are 7 major ways the Holy Spirit gives you your “second wind.” He gives you the desire and power to have:
 1. A heartfelt capacity to worship (Eph. 5:19),
 2. A grateful attitude (Eph. 5:20),
 3. Authentic fellowship with other believers (Eph. 5:21),
 4. A new capacity and desire to overcome sinful habits (Gal. 5:22-23),
 5. A greater desire and power for service (1 Cor. 12:7-11),
 6. A greater appetite for and understanding of God’s Word (2 Pet. 1:19-21), and
 7. A zeal for sharing your faith (Acts 1:8).
- iv. These 7 characteristics separate the normal (Bible believing, Spirit-filled) Christian from the average (spiritually bankrupt) Christian. If someone were to describe you as a Christian, would they call you normal or average?
- c. Complete the Personal Reflection found on page 96 of your book.

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Be able to list the 7 characteristics of being filled with the Holy Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase Ephesians 5:18.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Luke 11:13.

LESSON 9

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: LUKE 11:13

8. HOW CAN I BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. God's Part . . . and Yours (pg. 100)
 - i. Read Ephesians 5:18 again. According to this verse, what's God's part?

- ii. What's your part?

- iii. HINT: "be filled with the Spirit" is written in the passive, not the active voice.

- iv. Now let's look at Galatians 6:8. Whose part is there? _____

- b. Sowing to the Spirit (pg. 102)

- i. Forsake sin (Psalm 32:1-5, 1 John 1:9)

- 1. What's the implication of these verses?

- 2. Why is it so important?

- ii. Invite Christ to be Lord (1 Peter 3:15)

- 1. Just because you became a Christian doesn't mean that Christ is Lord in your life.

- 2. Are you ready (really ready) to raise the white flag of surrender?

- iii. Look to God's command (Hebrews 12:2)

- 1. A one-time surrender to God's command is not enough! Keep looking to Jesus!

- 2. Looking to God's command means to keep following Him.

- 3. He commanded you to be filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18)

- iv. Lean on God's promises (Hebrews 11:32-33)

- 1. The only way to do this is "by faith."

- a. How did you receive Christ? _____

- b. So, how will you be filled with the Spirit? _____
- v. Express your desire to be filled with the Spirit
 1. According to Luke 11:13, what do you have to do to receive the Holy Spirit?
 2. Here's a suggested prayer:
 - a. *"Lord, forgive me for the sins I have committed. I realize now how much I need You. I turn myself over to You. I want You to control me. You commanded me to be filled with Your Holy Spirit, and I desire for You to live in me. Fill me with the Holy Spirit. Make me the Christian You have created me to be. In Jesus' name, Amen."*
 - b. Praying for the filling of the Holy Spirit is more for your benefit than God's because it helps you to solidify your heart with what needs to happen.
- vi. Decide to live by faith and not by feelings (2 Corinthians 5:7, Hebrews 11:1)
 1. Do not confuse faith with feelings.
 2. The equation of faith:
 - a. _____ What Christ did on the cross for you
 - b. + What God has said in His Holy Word
 - c. = The basis of your faith and trust in God
 3. "Faith must believe God in the entire absence of feeling or evidence." (pg. 110)
- c. The Heart of the Matter: the acronym "FILLED"

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain what is God's part and your part in being filled with the Spirit.
- Be able to list the 6 steps in sowing to your spirit (HINT: the acronym "FILLED").
- Quote or paraphrase Luke 11:13.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Galatians 5:16-18.

LESSONS 10 & 11

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: GALATIANS 5:16-18

9. HOW CAN I WALK IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

a. Watch Out for the Flesh (pg. 114)

- i. A Christian who understands his or her potential to sin is much more likely to persist in spiritual disciplines, resist temptation, and emerge with victory.

- ii. Write down the warning of the flesh found in the passages below:

- 1. Romans 13:14

- 2. 1 Peter 1:13-15

- 3. 1 Peter 2:11

- iii. Remember Satan's three tricks from 1 John 2:16?

- 1. Trick #1: _____ - it makes you want to do what God doesn't want you to do.

- 2. Trick #2: _____ - it makes you want to have what God doesn't want you to have.

- 3. Trick #3: _____ - it makes you want to be what God doesn't want you to be.

- iv. Let's study King Saul in 1 Samuel 15 and address the following questions:

- 1. 15:1-3 – What can you learn about God in this passage.

2. 15:10-12 – Is Saul walking in the flesh or the Spirit? Explain.

3. 15:13-14 – Did Saul obey God’s command in 15:3? Explain.

4. 15:15-21 – Do you see any evidence of walking in the flesh?

5. 15:22 – What do you think “to obey is better than sacrifice” means?

6. 15:23-29 – What does this passage suggest about walking in the flesh?

7. 15:32-35 – What does Samuel’s treatment of King Agag suggest about how we should treat sin?

- v. "In order to walk continually in the fullness of God's Spirit, one must constantly be on the lookout for the flesh exerting its ugly influence (pg. 119)."
- b. **Attend to Your Heart's Inner Fire (pg. 119)**
 - i. The Word of God is your primary source of fuel for your heart's inner fire. Here are some practical suggestions (complete list is found on pages 120-121):
 - 1. Read God's Word.
 - 2. Study God's Word
 - 3. Memorize God's Word
 - ii. Prayer is the second source of fuel for your heart. Suggestions for using prayer to fuel your heart are listed on page 122.
- c. **Listening to Your Inner Promptings (pg. 124)**
 - i. Learn the subjective impressions of the Spirit.
 - 1. Examples of inner promptings:
 - a. Your conscience
 - b. "A thought just came to me"
 - c. "Something told me . . ."
 - d. A still small voice
 - 2. Think of your last inner prompting. Determine if it was from the Holy Spirit, Satan, or your own thought.
 - ii. In order to determine if your inner prompting is from God, ask yourself the following questions (a more complete list is found on pages 125-126).
 - 1. Will it glorify God?
 - 2. Does Scripture speak against it?
 - 3. Is unconfessed the reason I cannot tell if this prompting is from God?
 - 4. Is what I'm prompted to do going to help someone?
 - 5. Will my pastor or other spiritual mentor disagree with it?
 - 6. Am I being rushed to act on it?
 - 7. Have I asked God for confirmation if it's from Him?
 - iii. According to Romans 8:14, you become sensitive to the impressions of the Holy Spirit as long as He is leading you.
- d. **Keep on Being Filled (pg. 127)**
 - i. In Ephesians 5:18, the verb "be filled" is in the present tense, which really means, "keep being filled."
 - ii. "Walking in the Spirit is a relationship, not a routine (pg. 127)."
 - 1. When you fall down, get back up again and get back in line.
 - 2. Use the steps in the "FILLED" acronym to get back up.
 - 3. The main idea is to develop a relationship with God, not to make a routine out of the steps mentioned above. If it does become a routine, you have lost the meaning of being Spirit-filled.
- e. **The Heart of the Matter: the acronym "WALK"**

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to explain the 4 steps in walking in the Spirit (HINT: the acronym "WALK").
- Quote or paraphrase Galatians 5:16-18.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Galatians 5:22-24.

LESSON 13

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: GALATIANS 5:22-24

10. HOW CAN I EXHIBIT FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

a. The Story behind the Hymn, *It Is Well* (pg. 131-132)

b. What is the "Fruit of the Spirit?" (pg. 133)

i. Love

1. The Greek word used for this love is called agape. List the characteristics of agape (love) found in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

2. Read John 13:34-35 and list the extraordinary purpose of this love

3. Unlike eros (romantic love) and phileo (brotherly love), only in agape will all benefits go to the person receiving it.
4. Agape love is NOT natural, so it cannot come from you. It has to come from the Holy Spirit through you because it is supernatural.

ii. Joy

1. When the happenings don't happen the way you happen to want your happenings to happen, you can still have joy!
2. Happiness is based on positive _____.
3. Joy is based on positive _____.
4. According to John 15:11, what is the goal Jesus desires?

iii. Peace

1. The peace with God is _____.
2. The peace of God is _____.
3. According to Philippians 4:6-7, one sure way of experiencing this quality of the Holy Spirit is _____.
4. Quickly jot down three things in your life right now that is causing anxiety. Please do this quickly!

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

5. God's peace is designed to keep you while you deal with what you've listed. What have you learned about this peace?

iv. Patience

1. It is the Christlike quality that possesses the ability to wait without getting edgy, anxious, or irritable.
2. According to Psalm 27:13-14, what word David uses in verse 13 to help us to wait (v. 14)? _____
3. In Lamentations 3:25,
4. Patience is a byproduct of _ _ _ _ _ .

v. Kindness

1. It is the Christlike quality that possesses the ability to exert life changing influence on those who receive it.
2. Read Micah 6:8 and answer the following question:
 - a. Is showing kindness optional for a Christian? Why or why not? Base your answer on Micah 6:8.
 - b. _____

3. Have you committed an act of kindness lately?

vi. Goodness

1. It is the Christlike quality that represents the highest possible moral and ethical value.
2. In what way does Romans 15:13-14 suggests that others are positively affected when we are "full of goodness?"

vii. Faithfulness

1. It is the Christlike quality that possesses the ability to remain loyal to God, despite any circumstances. It is spiritual stick-to-itiveness!
2. According to 1 Corinthians 1:9, why should you be faithful to God?

viii. Gentleness

1. It is the Christlike quality that is strength under control!

2. Jesus refers to Himself as gentle in Matthew 11:29. As we are conformed to the image of Christ, how can we be seen as gentle?
- ix. Self-Control
1. Thought life
 - a. Analyze Philippians 4:8 to determine the characteristics of a Spirit-controlled thought life:

 2. Money
 - a. It is a wonderful servant, but a horrible master! How we handle money is a leading indicator of whether or not we love God.
 - b. According to 1 Timothy 6:7, what factor **should** impel us to develop self-control over money?

 3. Time
 - a. More valuable than money, time is the one resource should never be wasted because unlike money, once it's gone, it's gone (Eph. 5:15-16).
 4. Eating habits
 - a. Similar to sexual lust, eating the wrong foods, overindulgence in foods, and even not eating properly is slavery to a physical appetite.
 5. Tongue
 - a. We are no more spiritual than our daily conversation (James 3:8-12).

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to list the 9 characteristics of the Fruit of the Spirit.
- Quote or paraphrase Galatians 5: 22-24.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize 1 Corinthians 12:4-7.

LESSON 14

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-7

11. HOW DO I DEMONSTRATE THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. What Should I Know about Spiritual Gifts? (pg. 156)
- i. Gifts are NOT talents.
 - ii. 4 passages on spiritual gifts

Romans 12:6-8	1 Corinthians 12:8-10	Ephesians 4:11	1 Peter 4:11
* a measure of faith Prophecy Ministry (service) Teaching Exhortation Giving (liberality) Leadership showing mercy	the word of wisdom the word of knowledge faith gifts of healings the working of miracles prophecy discerning of spirits <i>different</i> kinds of tongues the interpretation of tongues	Apostles Prophets Evangelists Pastors Teachers	Speaking Minister (serving)

- iii. Who receives the gifts of the Spirit? Read Romans 12:5, 1 Corinthians 12:7, Ephesians 4:7, 1 Peter 4:10.

- iv. How do these gifts relate to “the body of Christ”?
- v. Why does the Holy Spirit give gifts in the first place? Answer using the following texts:

1. 1 Corinthians 12:7 – _____
2. Ephesians 4:12-16 – _____
3. 1 Peter 4:11 – _____

- b. What Are My Spiritual Gifts? (pg. 159)

- i. For those who know their spiritual gift:
1. What gifts do you feel God gave you?

2. Why do you think He gifted you this way?

3. In what specific setting have you used your gift recently?

- ii. For those who do not know their spiritual gift:

1. What do you enjoy doing?

2. What ministry effort has God been blessing?

3. How have others encouraged you?

4. What has the Holy Spirit said to you?

c. Questions about Spiritual Gifts (pg. 162)

d. Affirming Others' Giftedness (pg. 163)

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Be able to define (with pastoral guidance) your spiritual giftedness.
- Quote or paraphrase 1 Corinthians 12:4-7.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- For next lesson, memorize Acts 1:8.

LESSON 15

MEMORY SCRIPTURE: ACTS 1:8

12. HOW DO I DEMONSTRATE THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- a. Who Does Christ Want to Use? (pg. 167)
- b. What Is the Scope of the Church's Responsibility? (pg. 169)
- c. What Resource Enables Us as Witnesses? (pg. 170)
 - i. The opening the Holy Spirit needs is for you to trust Him to work through you as you witness for Him.
 - ii. Read John 15:16.

iii. Read John 14:16, 26

iv. Read John 16:13-14

- _____
- v. Now read Acts 16:13-14. Using the power of the wind analogy, describe what happened when Paul said "the Lord opened her heart".
- _____
- _____

- d. Marching off the Map (p. 173)

UPON CONCLUSION:

- Quote or paraphrase Acts 1:8.
- Tell how you are impacted by this study.
- Prepare for the Spiritual Gifts Test (week 16).