



## INTRODUCTION ACTIVITY:

Share something that “fills your bucket.” What makes you “feel” excited about your walk with the Lord?

## SCRIPTURE READING:

**Acts 1:5**

*“John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”*

**Genesis 1:1-2**

*“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.”*

**Genesis 2:7**

*“...then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.”*

**Acts 17:28**

*“In him we live and move and have our being.”*

**John 20:21-22**

*“Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”*

**Galatians 2:20**

*“I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”*

## LIFEGROUP CURRICULUM

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. If someone asked you to describe the Holy Spirit and His purpose/work, how would you describe Him?
2. From the sermon (and your understand) what are the primary duties/tasks/purposes of the Holy Spirit?
3. In the sermon, Pastor CJ talked about how the Spirit creates, sustains, inspires and recreates. What did he mean by these activities?
4. What connections can you draw between Jesus' baptism and the Old Testament presence of the Holy Spirit? Why is it so significant that Jesus is empowered with the personal presence of God and that this Spirit would permeate His whole existence?
5. How is Jesus created, sustained, inspired, and recreated by the Spirit in His earthly ministry?

*"For John truly baptized with water;  
but all of you shall be baptized with  
the Holy Spirit not many days behind."*

*Acts 1:5*

### APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. Read Genesis 2:5-9. In these verses we are introduced to a barren landscape of dirt and rock that is devoid of life. But God breathes into the lifeless dirt to create life. This is a fundamental image in the Bible, that God's personal life-giving presence is what sustains all living creatures. Apart from God's own life-presence, there is only disorder and death. But when God's Spirit is in the mix, the impossible suddenly becomes possible and life can come from non-life. God's life-giving Spirit is the one who provides and sustains life in the world. Where do you see life emerging and flourishing around you?
2. The Spirit is in the business of breathing life where there is hopelessness. Where do you sense a need for new life in or around you?
3. In Acts 2 we see the Holy Spirit come upon the disciples in a powerful way (kinda reminds me of Jesus' baptism). What is Luke trying to make connections with in his description of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles? What allusions to the Old Testament do you see? Why would he make these allusions? Why is this transition so important for the life of the church (and us as individual believers within this church/body)?
4. How would you describe being "filled by the Spirit" in your own experience walking with Jesus?
5. How has the Spirit empowered you recently?

### CLOSING PRAYER ACTIVITY:

Invite someone to close the group in prayer.

*"Holy Spirit is a way of talking about how God is personally present, sustaining and orchestrating His world."*