



# The Unstoppable Holy Spirit

## Week One | Study Guide

### Summary

This sermon, delivered on Pentecost Sunday, focuses on the unstoppable nature of God's kingdom and the Holy Spirit's power. The pastor discusses Acts 1, emphasizing two main promises: the promise of power through the Holy Spirit and the promise of Jesus' return. He explains how the early church was empowered to spread the gospel from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth, and how modern believers need the same Holy Spirit power to be effective witnesses today.

### Intro Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we gather to discuss Your Word and the power of Your Holy Spirit, we ask that You would open our hearts and minds to what You want to teach us. Help us to be receptive to Your truth and show us how we can be more effective witnesses for Your kingdom. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### Ice Breaker

When was the last time you felt truly empowered to do something that seemed difficult at first? What made you feel that way?

### Key Verses

Acts 1:8 | John 14:12 | John 7:37-39 | Acts 2:1-4

## Questions

- What does it mean to be baptized in the Holy Spirit, and why is it important for believers today?
- How does the promise that we will do 'greater works' than Jesus challenge or encourage you?
- What barriers might prevent us from being effective witnesses in our 'Jerusalem' (immediate community)?
- How can we maintain both an expectancy of Christ's return and an urgency for mission?
- What's the difference between being a 'reservoir' versus a 'river' of God's blessing?
- How does the Holy Spirit's presence help us overcome prejudice and racial barriers?
- What does it mean to be a 'living sacrifice' in the context of sharing our faith?
- How can we apply the concept of 'waiting' for the Holy Spirit's power in our modern context?

## Life Application

This week, identify one person in your sphere of influence who needs to hear about Jesus. Commit to praying daily for them and ask the Holy Spirit to give you both the opportunity and the boldness to share your faith with them.

## Key Takeaways

- The Holy Spirit provides power for effective witness and ministry
- We are called to be witnesses locally and globally simultaneously
- The church's mission is unstoppable when empowered by the Spirit
- Jesus' return should motivate us to action, not passive waiting

## Ending Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for the gift of Your Holy Spirit. Help us to be bold witnesses for You, empowered by Your presence within us. Give us opportunities this week to share Your love with others, and help us to be rivers of living water to those around us. In Your name we pray, Amen.