



October 8 | Sermon Notes

Message discussion: What stood out to you in this week's message? Questions? A way God moved you to respond?

Passage reflection: Ezekiel 11:19-20; Acts 1:8. What stands out to you in these verses? Is there something you hear God saying to you? How can you respond to what He is saying?

1. Jim talked about being effective witnesses for Christ in both word and deed. Read the following verses: Ezekiel 11:19-20; and Romans 8:11-14. Describe some ways that the infilling power of the Spirit enables us to be effective witnesses in both our inner character and outward actions.

2. Read Acts 13:52 & Ephesians 5:18. Every believer receives the Holy Spirit at salvation (Romans 8:9; Ephesians 1:13-14). Since we have the Spirit, what does it mean for us to be continually "filled" with the Spirit? Should we be seeking daily empowering and infilling from the Spirit? If so, how?

3. Read verses: Romans 8:12-13 & Galatians 5:16-25. We all face a daily battle with our sinful nature, our "flesh" that pulls us away from relying on the Spirit. Describe one area that you need the Spirit to help you say, "No" to your sinful nature and "Yes" to Him.

4. Galatians 5:16 tells us that if we walk "by the Spirit" we will not carry out the desires of the flesh. Instead, walking in the power of the Holy Spirit will result in His "fruit", or character, being produced in us (Gal. 5:22-23). If you would like to walk more consistently in the Spirit's power, write out a prayer to Him, asking Him to help you grow in this area as we walk through this sermon series.