



# ASBURY DAILY STUDY GUIDE May 29 - June 3, 2023

### **INTRODUCTION**

On the day of Pentecost, the Jesus followers in Jerusalem were filled with the Holy Spirit and they poured into the streets of Jerusalem proclaiming the Good News of Jesus. Sometimes this seems like an ancient story that doesn't have any relevance for 21st century believers. Just like Jesus' first century followers, we all need help, and there is a way to get access to the same helper Jesus relied on.

## Monday: Exodus 18:14-26

When Moses was leading the Israelites in the wilderness, his father-in-law Jethro warned him that he was doing too much of the work himself and he needed help. Moses needed to learn the important lesson of delegating his workload. From the smallest task to something more significant, when was the last time you asked another person for help? Why did you ask them?

# Tuesday: Acts 2:1-17

Acts chapter 2 records the coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit came upon the Jesus followers in Jerusalem and it gave them the ability to speak in languages that were not their native tongue. Would you say that the Holy Spirit actively helps you? If so, how? If not, what makes you say that? How would you want that to change?

## Wednesday: Romans 12:1-2, James 4:1-10

During the sermon, Pastor Eric said "You cannot access God's power if you are not under his authority." Do you agree with that? Do you consider yourself to be under God's authority? How do you know if you are or aren't?

#### Thursday: Romans 8:9-13, Romans 15:13

What stands out to you? What is encouraging to you?

#### Friday: Genesis 1:2, 26-27; Psalm 33:6-9

We sometimes think the Holy Spirit didn't show up (or maybe even exist) until the day of Pentecost after Jesus' resurrection (cf. Acts 2:2-4). However, the Bible described God's Spirit existing before, and at work during the creation of the world. What was your understanding of the Holy Spirit before this week's message?

#### **MOVING FORWARD**

The way in which you receive that power of the Holy Spirit is by choosing to submit your life to the authority of God. It happens as we begin to know God's word and we begin to trust God's word. Choosing obedience rather than trying to control the outcomes on our own gives us access to the Spirit. Choosing to surrender your life to God is how we access the empowering presence of the Spirit of God.

Answers to the sermon notes: IA) help, B) can't, C) empower. IIA) Spirit, B) universally IIC) continually, D) respond. IIIA) overflowing, B) authority, C) surrender.