

# THIS IS REVIVAL.



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## WEEK 4 Graced with Power

### Acts 1:4-8; 2:1-4; 4:33

There is no revival without the presence and empowerment of the Holy Spirit. The book of Acts describes how early believers were empowered by the Holy Spirit to carry on the life-changing work of Jesus Christ after His ascension to heaven. The promise of the Holy Spirit was fulfilled and ordinary men and women received power that enabled them to boldly testify to the gospel of God's grace and bring the good news of salvation to the regions and nations beyond their borders.

As it was in their days, this same power is available for us today to be witnesses for Christ, both in word and in our lifestyle. When we choose to live filled and empowered by the Holy Spirit, life becomes a faith-filled adventure. The revivals of history are stories of men and women of great faith who were confident in what they hoped for and assured of what they didn't see. They were men and women who dared to take a leap, step out of the boat of comfort zone and self-reliance, and walked upon the waters.

In this season of revival we are in, let us resolve to be faith-filled, being assured that we are indeed graced with power from on high, the very Person of the Holy Spirit, God with us and in us! Let our lives be Spirit-led, characterized by responding to the Holy Spirit's promptings, boldly witnessing for Christ, overflowing with gratefulness, empowered to bear fruits and continually gathering together under the name of Jesus. Let the Spirit's work in our hearts have an overflow effect into homes, workplaces, communities, cities and nations.

**CONNECTION AND ACTION** Use these questions to promote conversation and connection.

**ICEBREAKER:** How is the "40 Days of Revival" devotional empowering you so far?

**Q:** Share what God has been saying to you through this week's devotionals?

**Q:** Share some examples from your own life of how the Holy Spirit has led or empowered you. (**Leader's Tip:** For example, overcoming a challenge, making key decision or helping people, etc.).

**Q:** In what areas of your life are you currently seeking the Holy Spirit to empower you?

**Q:** In what ways can the Holy Spirit empower us to share Christ? (**Leader's Tip:** boldness, courage, wisdom, love, gifts of knowledge, etc).

**Q:** We are empowered to bear fruit. What fruit are you and the Holy Spirit working on in your life at the moment?

**Activity:** Do today's Revival Devotional together.

### HIGHLIGHTS COMING UP

- Mega Prayer Night & Conference Training – Tuesday 18 June 7pm at Sydney (Hills, Waterloo, Alexandria & South West), Brisbane, Melbourne, Newcastle & Noosa.
- This is Revival – Join us as we countdown to the Heart for the House weekend & Hillsong Conference. Pick up your 40 day Devotional from church or our Hillsong app!

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**BIBLE AND BELIEF** Use these questions and scriptures to help believers develop a biblical worldview.

**Read: John 16:12-15, Acts 1:3-8, Rom 8:14-16, Gal 5:22-26**

- Q.** Who is the Holy Spirit? What is the purpose and function of the Holy Spirit?
- Q.** What does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit?
- Q.** What is the difference between the indwelling and the filling of the Holy Spirit?
- Q.** What can we learn from the disciples, especially Peter, after they received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost? How does this apply in our time today?
- Q.** How did Paul demonstrate a life graced with power?
- Q.** What does it mean to "keep in step with the Spirit" (Gal 5:25)?
- Q.** What does it mean to be "led by the Spirit" (Rom 8:14)?

**GROWING LEADERSHIP** Use these questions to help people in your group grow as leaders.

- Q:** Give some examples of how the Holy Spirit has empowered your leadership recently.
- Q:** What have you done recently to create an opening for the Holy Spirit in your group or team? What was the result?
- Q:** What keys have you learned for cultivating the Holy Spirit's power in your leadership?
- Q:** What have you discovered about how to help people start moving in the Spirit's power?
- Q:** How do you go with praying for people to be filled with the Spirit?

**Strategizing** Spend time with your leaders strategizing how to see the Holy Spirit move more freely in your groups and teams.

## PRAY TOGETHER

- Pastors Brian & Bobbie Houston
- Heart For House Weekend
- Hillsong Conference
- Decisions for Jesus in our Services



# NATION BUILDERS.