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KINGDOM POWER / Acts 1:4-5

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Ice Breaker: Pastor Miles began and ended the service today with two invitations. In the first one Pastor Miles invited the Holy Spirit to come upon and into us as the church body in his opening prayer. The second one was in our closing prayer where we invited the Holy Spirit to fill us with His power so that we may receive the supernatural power necessary to change ourselves, help others, and change the world! **If we received the Holy Spirit at our salvation for what reasons do we need to ask for Him to fill us daily?** a. We "quench" the Holy Spirit. b. We pour out into others. c. We are under constant attack. d. We leak. e. We're hungry for more. f. He is making us ready for something to come.

Encouragement: Most if not all Christians know what it feels like to spiritually drained. **In what ways can we access the renewing power, courage, endurance, and encouragement of the Holy Spirit? And how then can we offer the same to others? Who are your "go to" people when you're feeling discouraged? What is their source of guidance? Who goes to you when they need encouragement? What is your source of guidance?**

Scripture: Why did Jesus tell the Disciples to wait for the baptism with the Holy Spirit in Acts 1:4-5? Believers are promised the Holy Spirit if they do what according to Luke? Luke 11:5-13

Prayer: If you have prayed to the Father to fill you with his Holy Spirit, **have you witnessed change, deliverance, and victory over your old ways? Have you seen His power at work in your life or in the lives of those you have called on Him for help with? Have you seen the fruit of His labor in your life? Is He bearing fruit through you in the lives of others?** Luke tells us that we need only ask for these gifts. Luke 11:13 & "We have not because we ask not" in James 4:2-3

Next Steps: When Pastor Miles asked the church how many of us have been drunk or high almost all of us raised a hand once or twice! We all know now that we are not supposed to get drunk with alcohol as Christians! However, Pastor Miles was giving an analogy of what it is like to be filled. Pastor Miles on Sunday was really encouraging us to be filled with the Spirit. The Next step challenge is to pray that God will fill you with the Holy Spirit today!

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yasywoqubwo>

Memory Verse: *Ephesians 5:18 "Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit,"*

Quote: The story of Christian reformation, revival, and renaissance underscores that the darkest hour is often just before the dawn, so we should always be people of hope and prayer, not gloom and defeatism. God the Holy Spirit can turn the situation around in five minutes. **Os Guinness**

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