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The 7 Pillars of a Healthy Church

Wednesdays in The Word

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PILLAR 4: The Spirit-Filled Life

- Christians should not live a life that is personified by guessing, fear, and indecisiveness,
- A Christian should not be dependent on horoscopes, astronomy, etc.
- The Christian experience is not based on chance, coincidence, and luck.
- God did not leave us here to figure out how to live our lives.
- Third person of Trinity.
- The Holy Spirit is Life Giving.
- The Holy Spirit is Active, Misunderstood, Heavily Debated, and most of all Personal.
- Prophecies were made about the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament. *Joel 2:28*

I. The Opposition to Being Spirit Led

- The flesh is the biggest opposition to a spirit led life *Rom. 7:14-20*
- When we get saved we don't lose our flesh, we gain the Holy Spirit
- The enemy knows how powerful we can be if we are Spirit led

II. The Definitive Elements of the Holy Spirit

- Empower the believer for works and witness *John 14:12, Acts 1:8*
- Indwell and Control *John. 14:16-17*
- Teach and Illuminate Truth *John 14:26*
- Intercessor in Prayer *Rom. 8:26-27*
- Sanctify, Make Holy *Rom. 8:1-17*
- Endow with Gifts *I Cor. 12:4-7*

III. The Dependability of the Holy Spirit

- The Holy Spirit can fill a fetus while in the womb *Luke 1:41*
- Christ stated that he was anointed by the Spirit *Luke 4:16-18*
- Jesus prophesied about the coming of the Holy Spirit *John 14:26*
- Jesus empowered His disciples with the Spirit *John 20:21-22*

IV. The Desire of the Holy Spirit

- The Spirit will teach us *John 16:13*
- The Spirit will guide us into all truth *John 16:13*
- The Spirit will be with us *John 14:16*

