making your M A R K

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The Holy Spirit brings:

1. Unexplainable Power (vs. 1-13)

Basic truths about the Holy Spirit:

- He is given to <u>all believers</u> at conversion
- He is <u>co-equal</u> with God and Jesus
- He is a <u>person</u>, not a "force"
- He gives each believer special gifts for <u>service</u> in the church
- His power can be either <u>quenched</u> or <u>released</u>
- 2. Supernatural Insight (vs. 14-35)
 - Into <u>situations</u>
 - Into <u>Scripture</u>

3. Spiritual Boldness (vs. 26-37)

"God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ" (vs. 36)

- 4. Changed <u>Lives</u> (38-47)
 - Faith in <u>Jesus</u>
 - Adjusted <u>priorities</u>
 - Making your mark
 - NEXT STEP: Each day this week I will ask the Holy Spirit to fill and empower me.
 - NEXT STEP: This week, by the power of the Holy Spirit, I will boldly talk with someone about my faith in Jesus.
 - NEXT STEP: I accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior today.
 - NEXT STEP: I rededicate my life to Christ today.



Lesson Aim: To help believers understand how the Holy Spirit is the "game changer" in making our mark in following Jesus.

Prayer: Open in prayer asking for the Holy Spirit to deepen your understanding of how to take stronger action in sharing your faith in Jesus Christ.

Icebreaker: If you could learn another language, what would it be? Why?

1. Read Acts 2:4-13. Read Acts 2:4-13. If you had been there witnessing this, how would you have felt? Would you respond more like those in verse 12 or those in verse 13? Why?

2. When have you experienced an empowering from God to witness about Christ?

3. What do you believe or understand the role of the Holy Spirit to be in your life?

4. Read Acts 2:38-41. How would you use Peter's answer to explain to someone what it means to become a Christian?

5. Read Acts 2:44-47. What do the 3,000 converts end up doing and how can you see that God is with them?

6. How is your church fellowship like and unlike the fellowship noted here? What can you do to help your church be more like this

Weekly Memory Verse:

Ephesians 4:31-32. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.