

- These verses describe why Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the believers. What will the Holy Spirit do in the world? What will the Holy Spirit do in you? What will the Holy Spirit do for you?
- Why do we need the Holy Spirit in our walk with Christ?
- When you think back, can you see a time when the Holy Spirit was leading you? Did He comfort, counsel, or convict you? Describe how you need His presence in your life. What steps are you willing to take to live a Spirit-filled life?
- Can you tell whether you have the Holy Spirit? What ‘Half-Year Resolutions’ are you making today to help you walk in the Spirit?

Make this declaration in faith: *“I am God’s child, filled with His Spirit, and empowered to live victoriously. I will walk by the Spirit, grow in Christ, and glorify God in everything I do.”*

June 30: Receive His Power

Read Acts 1:1-14.

- In this passage, Jesus tells us that when the Holy Spirit comes into our lives, we will have His power. Describe a time when you were aware of the Holy Spirit in your life.
- Jesus told His disciples that after receiving the Holy Spirit, they would be witnesses for Him everywhere. The Holy Spirit gives us the power to share Christ boldly to others. Have you ever experienced a time when the Holy Spirit gave you words to speak while you were having a conversation with someone? Is the Holy Spirit prompting you to boldly share Christ with someone today? What holds you back from sharing Christ?
- According to verse 14, the disciples were united in prayer before the Holy Spirit came upon them. Jesus had promised them the gift of the Holy Spirit, but it was still the disciples’ duty to pray for the promise to be fulfilled.

Make this declaration in faith: *“The Spirit of God sustains me. I reject self-reliance and human strength. My life is built on divine power. What God builds in me will last.”*

Prayer: *Ask God to fill you and all Agape House members with the power of the Holy Spirit today.*

July 1: Discover Your Gifts

Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-27.

- The power of the Holy Spirit gives us all gifts to use in serving God and others. Have you discovered your spiritual gift? What gift do you believe God has put inside of you to serve Him? Why do you believe you have this gift?
- In the church today, many people value some gifts above others. For example, some people think that prophecy is the most important gift. But in this passage, Paul teaches us that the church needs every individual and every gift. Have you valued some gifts more than others? Has this caused you to feel insecure or unhappy about your gift and your place in the church?

Prayer: *Ask the Lord to show you the gift He has given you. Pray that He will fill you with confidence and excitement about your gift. Then seek the Lord for the wisdom and courage to begin using your gift for His glory.*

July 2: Use Your Gifts Well

Read Romans 12.

- In this passage, Paul describes another list of spiritual gifts. Which one of these gifts do you identify with most? If you are not sure, ask a Pastor, your Life Group members, or a trusted friend which gift they see in you.
- Sadly, many people view spiritual gifts in a fleshly way. Rather than serving in love and humility, spiritual gifts are used to enrich and exalt the person with the gift. Which verse or verses in this chapter will best help you to keep your gift in the right perspective, and use it only for God’s glory and to serve others?

Prayer: *Pray for God’s grace and wisdom so that you can use your gift in a way that will please the Lord and help others. Thank God for the gifts He has placed in you.*

July 3: Experience His Power

Read Acts 2:1-21.

- On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came and filled the people of God. He gave them the ability to speak in tongues. Some men in the crowd thought this was drunkenness. But others were amazed by the power of God. Speaking in tongues can elicit many different reactions. Share your personal reactions to the gift of tongues.