

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE LIFE, WORK,
TEACHING AND CLAIMS OF JESUS CHRIST

Yielding to the Holy Spirit

LUKE 1:39-45 | FEBRUARY 16 & 17, 2013

In this week's sermon we follow Mary on her trip to visit Elizabeth and listen in on the remarkable things Elizabeth has to say. We are also introduced to another "person" in the narrative. We begin to discover and uncover the person and work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is at work so that all who **believe in Jesus** can **become like Jesus**.



Watch this week's summary message from Pastor Mike at <http://luke.christchurchil.org/resources>. (Videos will be live on Sunday afternoon.)

WITH THE GROUP



LEARNING | BEGINNING TO CONNECT WITH THE TOPIC

Which area of your life would change if you were to become more the person you wanted to be?



LEARNING | GETTING CLEAR ON WHAT WAS TAUGHT

From the sermon, what new perspective did you gain on Mary's journey to Elizabeth? What do you think Mary was seeking in Elizabeth?

There is a great deal of excitement, action and energy in Luke 1:39-45. Review the passage and make a chart of the actor/action in these verses (i.e., Elizabeth/heard; baby/leaped). How do you see God as a part of the **action** going on here?



LOVING | GROWING OUR HEART FOR A LOVING GOD

What was the most helpful or inspirational part of the sermon for you?

Read Acts 1:8 and consider the six observations Pastor Mike made about the Holy Spirit. What are some of the ways the Holy Spirit influences the lives of Christians?



LIVING | STARTING TO LIVE LIKE JESUS DAILY

What physical things (outward things) did Mary do which enabled her to be encouraged by God?

What heart-based (inward things) can you do to enhance the activity of the Holy Spirit in your life?

ON YOUR OWN



PRACTICE

As a part of entering into Lent, make some space in your life to read Psalm 51, listen to God in quiet and write down any confession that comes to mind. At the conclusion of your time, read 1 John 1:9 and thank God that your sin has been forgiven in Christ. Invite the Holy Spirit to work in your life.



PRAYER

God in heaven, I am grateful that you have sent the Holy Spirit to change me from the inside out. Help me not to quench that work, but to experience the Fruit of the Spirit growing in my life. I pray that I would continually be filled that I might reflect you in everything I do and say.



MEMORIZING

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you."
—Acts 1:8a

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