

Everybody Dance Now

Main Scripture: Acts 19:1-8, 8:5-8, 8:14-17, 10:44-48

Additional Scriptures: Genesis 1:2, 2:7, Galatians 4:6, Ephesians 1:13-14, Romans 8:9, Galatians 5:16-25, 1st Thess. 5:19, Ephesians 5:18, Luke 6:11

Hearing: Discussion Questions

- Pastor Mike exhorted the congregation to be honest with the lenses that you read the Bible through, especially when it comes to topics like the Holy Spirit. What preconceived notions or experiences do you bring to the table when it comes to the Spirit? How does this affect the way you view the Holy Spirit?
- “Every time the Spirit moved, it was because the people were open to it.” What are some roadblocks that stop people from getting filled with the Spirit?
- Ask who has and who has not been filled with the Spirit. Take some time to pray with those who have not been filled but are open to receiving!
- **Read Ephesians 5:16-25.** The world is waiting for the dance, but Christians have stopped dancing! In what ways can you keep in step with the Spirit at home? At your job? With your friends? At school?
- Share some stories of how “your dancing”, i.e. you being filled with and walking in step with the Spirit, affected those around you.
- **Read Acts 19:1-7.** Paul’s first question to the believers was “Did you receive the Holy Spirit?” When you are talking to other believers, what do you usually talk about? How much of a priority is the Holy Spirit or the Kingdom in your life and the conversations you have with other believers? Are you satisfied with that? Why or why not?
- Pastor Mike said that we waste our anticipation on worldly things so that when we get around to the Holy Spirit, all our anticipation has been used up. What are some things of this world that get your passion and anticipation? Gator sports? Vacations? Movies? The next home renovation? Discuss how this affects your desire for the Holy Spirit and God’s Kingdom.

Doing: Application

- **For the small group leader:** Take some time to figure out who is and is not filled with the Holy Spirit. Prioritize getting with each individual and allowing them the opportunity to receive if they are open to it. If you do not feel comfortable leading someone in that prayer, then please contact Matt at the church and he can lead you to some people who love to pray with people in regards to being filled with the Holy Spirit! (Matt – mulrich@first-assembly.org)