

THE HOLY SPIRIT Acts 1:1-8

Bible Fact: Jesus expects **all of His disciples** to demonstrate the power of **His kingdom** that He died and rose for.

The Big Idea: To get all Christians to **believe and to receive** power **to engage with God** to perform miraculous works that represent God and **so they can spread the good news all over the world**.

- I. The **objectives** of the Holy Spirit dwelling in Christians:
 - A. The **4 Holy Spirit's** objectives in every believer:
 - 1. To <u>exemplify</u> His **person**
 - 2. To <u>experience</u> His **power**
 - 3. To elevate His purpose
 - 4. To execute His plan

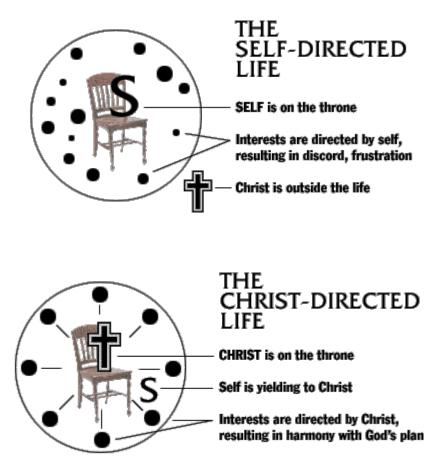
B. The Holy Spirit: His Way, His Work And His Witness

- 1. His way, the best way for spiritual believers to set Christian standards among unbelievers;
- 2. His work, the best work for demonstrating spiritual change that persuades unbelievers;
 - A. Readiness for the Holy Ghost's work (His will)
 - B. **Power** of His work (His will);
 - Power of His work (His will) demonstrated as the Christian movement;
 - Luke, in his letter to Theophilus, throughout The Book of The Acts of The Holy Spirit follows the movement of the Church on its mission for Jesus Christ. It is a <u>continuous movement</u> marching towards eternity; Acts 1:1-3.
 - The Holy Spirit's Church movement on the move (from the time of the moment in Acts 2)
 - The Holy Spirit's protection of the Church's purpose
 - The Holy Spirit's problem solving among Church members; 6:1-7
 - In growth brings change and change brings challenges;
 v. 1; Matthew 28:19,20; Acts 1:8
 - The word of God vs. serving tables; v.2
 - Criteria for resolving Church challenges; v.3
 - Clear operational roles for the clergy; v.4
 Not a page of a deministration
 - Not a neglect or exempt of administration role
 - The Holy chooses The Holy Seven; v.5
 - The Apostles give approbation for the chosen; v.6; 13:3; I Timothy 4:14; 5:22; II Timothy 6:1
 - The Church's spiritual system for success; v.7
 - Word of God spread; Isaiah 55:11; Matthew 11:28,29; v.7a; Acts 12:24; 19:20
 - Christian discipleship grew; v7b; Acts 2:41,42; 9:31
 - Spiritual leaders were led the people under the voice of the Holy Ghost Who is the leader of the faith; v.7c

THE HOLY SPIRIT CONTROL LIFE

(By Bill Bright: The four spiritual laws.)

These two circles represent two kinds of lives:



Which circle best represent your life?

Which circle would you like to have represent your life?