

**Day 5 Read Romans 12:1-8**

**How is this list different than the one in 1 Corinthians? How is it similar? What new insight does it offer about the gifting of the Holy Spirit?**

**Day 6 Read 2 Timothy 1:3-14**

**What does this passage have to teach us about the work of the Holy Spirit? What does it have to say about the role community plays in knowing our call and giftedness? What are some ways we can “fan into flame the gift of God?”**

**Day 7 Read Acts 1:1-11**

**The Holy Spirit was given so that the followers of Jesus would have the power to actively bear witness to the resurrection of Jesus Christ and advance the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. In what ways are you participating in that? Spend some time in prayer and invite the Holy Spirit to open your eyes to new opportunities to bear witness to the gospel.**



# Holy Spirit

## The Gifting Spirit

The invitation of Jesus isn't to come and watch, but to come and follow. We are not simply saved from something; we are also saved into something—the Kingdom of God. One of the primary roles of the Holy Spirit is to equip and empower the Church to be the physical body of Christ on earth and to shape this world into the kind of place God wants it to be.

### Day 1 Read Ephesians 1:15-23

What does this passage say about role of the Holy Spirit and the purpose of the Church? Using this passage, write a one-sentence definition of what the church is meant to be. Do you feel like you are a part of what you wrote? Explain.

### Day 2 Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

What does this passage teach us about the role of spiritual gifts in the life of a believer? Check out this free online spiritual gift assessment here: [www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts-online-assessment](http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts-online-assessment) How do you feel about the gifts that were identified in you? How have you seen them present in your life?

### Day 3 Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Why is it important to understand the Church as a body? How does this passage challenge you? How does it encourage you?

### Day 4 Read 1 Corinthians 14:1-25

According this passage, what are the gifts really there for? How was the Corinthian church struggling with this? Try and summarize this passage into two or three sentences.

