

THE SPIRIT'S POWER

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Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

— John 20:21-22 (NIV)



PRAY

- Thank God for an answered prayer this week.
- Ask God to open your heart to the work of His Spirit as you study His Word together.



MEDITATE

Engage

Start the conversation with this question...

When you're asked to do something difficult or unfamiliar, what helps you feel more confident?

Key Points

Connect to God's truth by sharing...

- Jesus sends us into the world just as He was sent—but we are not on our own.
- **We are sent with God's pleasure.** God loves us even before we succeed or fail our mission. His love strengthens us for ministry.
- **We are sent with God's purpose.** The Holy Spirit gives us direction and focus. Because God has a purpose for us, our mission can be meaningful and fruitful.
- **We are sent with God's people.** God places us in fellowship with others who also follow Jesus, and there is greater strength and joy when we walk and serve together.
- **We are sent with God's presence.** God doesn't send us and leave us! Jesus promised to be with us always as we follow Him.
- Because God's Spirit is in us and empowers us, we can live on mission with joy, purpose, and confidence.

Discuss Together (*pick at least one*)

- Which of the four points stood out to you the most? Why?
- When following Jesus feels confusing or hard, how does knowing God has a purpose help you keep going?
- Who are some people you walk this journey with? Share a story about growing and serving together, not alone.
- In what area of life do you need to trust that God's presence is with you this week?



PROCLAIM

Declare this truth based on your identity in Christ

Key Truth

In Christ, I am sent with power, purpose, and God's presence through the Holy Spirit.

Pray Together (*pick at least one*)

- Thank God for the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- Ask for courage, guidance, and unity as you follow Jesus on mission.
- Pray for each other's prayer requests.

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“And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

— Matthew 28:20 (NIV)