



## A Spirit for Revival

May 19 | Group Guide

**Begin by praying, catching up on your week, and reflecting together (10 minutes).**

First, like each week, begin your time together by having someone pray.

Then, spend a few moments sharing your highs and lows from the past week.

Finally, have each person briefly share how your family incorporated God into the normal, everyday aspects of your family life this past week. What fruits did you see from that?

**Read Acts 1:1-9 and Acts 2:1-47, discuss the sermon, and talk about the importance of the Holy Spirit in revival (30 minutes).**

Begin by having several people split up and read **Acts 1:1-9** and **Acts 2:1-47** out loud for your group with everyone else following along in their Bibles. After you've finished reading, spend a moment of two in silence. Instruct people to sit with the role the Holy Spirit played on the Day of Pentecost. Ask them to think about the Holy Spirit's influence in their own life.

After a few moments of reflection, discuss some of the questions below.

*Note: You may not get through all the questions, that's okay. Feel free to read these ahead of time and pick a couple that fit your group best!*

- In what ways does the Holy Spirit work here in these two chapters of Acts?
- How else does the Holy Spirit work as described in Scripture (see 1 Corinthians 12:8-11; Numbers 11:25; Matthew 10:1; Exodus 31:1-11; Acts 2:38; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 2 Timothy 1:7; Galatians 5:16-26)?
- Where have you seen evidence of the Holy Spirit's work in your life recently?
- Based on the above Scriptures, where are you needing more of the Spirit in your life presently?
- In his sermon, Dan mentioned from the book of Acts and the entirety of Scripture that we learn (1) the Spirit's presence is essential; and (2) the Spirit's power is undeniable. Would you say that the Spirit is essential in your life? Why or why not?
- What would your life look like if your life were filled to the brim with the undeniable power of the Holy Spirit? How would you be changed? Explain.

**Break off individually and pray for the Holy Spirit (20 minutes).**

In **Luke 11:13**, Jesus says, "How much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" Take a few moments to split into smaller groups and do just that.

- For the first few moments of your alone time, calm yourself and center your thoughts on God.
- Next, give some space to the many Scriptures read above. Were there any that especially resonated? Were there any that challenged you? Which one(s)? Why?
- Based on whatever passages resonated with or challenged you, offer a prayer to God based on that passage. If none come to mind, consider praying Luke 11:13.
- Next, as you end your time in prayer, consider praying the prayer that Dan shared in his sermon:

*Holy Spirit of God, visit now this soul of mine, and tarry within it until the eventide. Inspire all my thoughts. Pervade all my imaginations. Suggest all of my decisions. Lodge in my soul's most inward citadel, and order all my doings. Be with me in silence and in my speech, in my haste and in my leisure, in company and in solitude, in the freshness of the morning and the weariness of the evening. Give me grace at all times to rejoice in Thy mysterious companionship. Amen.*

Come back together as a large group to close with logistics and prayer requests (5 minutes).

1. **Inform your group** about us the extension of the prayer room! While the 24/7 prayer initiative has ended, we have extended the availability of the prayer room. You can find out more information about current hours at [thecreek.org/revival](http://thecreek.org/revival).
2. **Sponsor a child with MOHI!** This month we are highlighting Missions of Hope International (MOHI), a non-profit organization in Kenya that “exists to bring life transformation to every man, woman, and child.” They do this through providing holistic, sustainable care for people in poor communities all across Kenya. You can find out more information about MOHI here: [missionofhope.com/about](http://missionofhope.com/about).

With that being said, one way you can support the work of MOHI is by sponsoring a child. If you’re interested in sponsoring a child, scan the QR code below and start the process!



3. **Finish your group** session by sharing prayer requests and closing in prayer for the things shared.