

# **How Shall We Then Live**

A Course for People Who Want to Walk with God

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Assignments to Accompany the Teachings

For Home Groups or Mentoring Relationships

**First Series: THE BASICS  
(Learning to Connect with God)**

## **THE BASICS** Teaching #4: ASK FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

### Food for the backpack

Zechariah 4:6 --He's not a power-and-might King, but a by-My-Spirit King  
Matthew 3:15-17 --The Trinity all together in one story—Father, Son and Holy

#### Spirit

John 16:7-11 --The Holy Spirit: better than having Jesus in the flesh!

John 16:12-15 --The Holy Spirit speaks what Jesus give Him to say to us.

Luke 11:11-13 --Just ask!

Acts 8:9-25 --Asking for the Holy Spirit and surrendering to Jesus go together.

Galatians 3:1-6 --Ask by faith. Believe and accept the promise for yourself.

### Heart-prodders

Q.: Does the promise of the Holy Spirit elicit fear or fascination for you? Are you excited or repelled by this promise? Examine your emotions: where do they come from?

Q.: Have you known other people who claimed to be “Spirit-filled?” What was your impression of them? Is that encounter influencing how you feel about this promise?

### Assignment

Pray for each other in your group. If you are not ready to ask for the Holy Spirit, start studying the scriptures related to this promise. (Every person or group of people is different. Maybe you need to spend several weeks looking at what God promises about the Holy Spirit. You can use a concordance, which locates every passage that uses a specific word, in this case, “The Holy Spirit.” Do your own study, to move toward the day that you will be ready to ask! Don't rush this!)