

Bay City Wesleyan Church
June 3, 2018

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Sunday Morning 06-03-2018

Jesus promised, "You will bear fruit, lots of fruit, lasting fruit." John 15:5

Let's pray at 1:55 PM daily to see Jesus producing fruit in and through us.

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Claiming the promise in 2018

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The Promise:

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)

SERIES REVIEW

Week One: We need the Holy Spirit to work in us, so we can experience the blessings of God's kingdom here and now. So, we prayed, "Draw us close, Holy Spirit. Captivate us. Set our eyes on our King Jesus. Overwhelm us with your presence."

Week Two: The Spirit in you is better than Jesus beside you. So, we prayed, "Whatever it takes, Jesus, fill me with the Father's measureless love by the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit in me."

Week Three: Holy Spirit plans on doing great, loving, wonderful things for, in, and through you. So, we prayed, "Come on, Holy Spirit. Let's do life together."

Last Week: There's more to this world than meets the eye. There's a spiritual dimension with a raging war going on around us. Jesus started the invasion to reclaim and restore this broken, rebellious world. While he was here, the battle front focused on him. It was limited to his location. On the Day of Pentecost, he sent the Holy Spirit to fill each of his followers. He expanded the battle front to the location of every one of his disciples. It continues to expand around the globe as thousands declare their faith in Jesus daily. To win like Jesus, you must fight like Jesus. So, we prayed, "Holy Spirit, make me stronger with all your power, so I will have all the endurance and patience I need. Help me to fight like Jesus. Amen."

The Question for us now is...
How can you receive the Holy Spirit?

Acts 2:32-47 NIV

<small>32</small> God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it. <small>33</small> Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. <small>34</small> For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, "'The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand

<small>35</small> until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." ' <small>36</small> "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah." <small>37</small> When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" <small>38</small> Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <small>39</small> The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." <small>40</small> With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <small>41</small> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. <small>42</small> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <small>43</small> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <small>44</small> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <small>45</small> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <small>46</small> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <small>47</small> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/act.2.32-47.NIV>

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Sermon in a Sentence:

You will receive the Holy Spirit when you welcome Jesus as your King.

So, you have a decision to make. What will you do?

Please, think about your decision while we listen to this song.

God, I am coming to you now.

I am turning from living my way to live your way.

I trust Jesus because he lived and died for me.

Thank you for your forgiveness.

I welcome Jesus to reign as King of my life.

I am committed to doing life with him and his people from now on.

Thank you for filling me with the Holy Spirit.

Start transforming me from the inside out right now.

Thank you.