



Sermon  
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Guide

Sunday, May 14, 2023

# The Holy Spirit Oil

## Read/Reflect

1. In 1 Samuel 16:1-13, we find the story of David being anointed by the prophet Samuel to be the future king of Israel after Saul. It is a story where the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon someone after being anointed with oil. Can you think of any other characters in the Bible that were anointed with oil upon whom the power of the Holy Spirit came?
2. Besides the use of oil for anointing, what other usages of oil can you find in the Bible? How might they also symbolize the Holy Spirit?

## Explore

1. Read Romans 8:5-17. What is the one distinguishing characteristic between a believer and an unbeliever? In other words, what sets the believers apart from the unbelievers? How are the lives of believers and unbelievers different?
2. According to 1 Corinthians 12 and 14, for what purpose are the gifts of the Holy Spirit given to the Church? How are we to use these gifts?
3. Jesus said that no one can bear fruit unless they abide in Him (John 15). How does the Holy Spirit help us abide in Jesus? How can the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23) be an evidence of whether or not we are abiding in Jesus?
4. Read 1 Cor. 13:1-3. How is love connected to the power of the Holy Spirit working in us?
5. When was the last time you have undeniably witnessed the Holy Spirit at work in or around you? Take a moment to share your story with the group.
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## Pray

- Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not a one-time thing. It is meant to be a continual and on-going part of a believer's life. Ask God to fill you with the Holy Spirit, trusting in the promise of Jesus found in Lk. 11:13