

Use the following thoughts and questions to have one spiritual conversation. You can pick and choose, use them all or just allow the statement to be your guide. The emphasis shouldn't be about having all the answers, but simply having a conversation.

Scripture

Acts 1:4-14

1. Opening Statement

Begin your conversation by asking about this main point:

God's mission can't take place apart from the help of the Holy Spirit.

This main point is the biblical truth the student's study was built around. Each week there will be one statement that ties the whole study together. These would be great statements to remember together. The hope is that thoughts and ideas will stem from these statements. You can also begin by sharing a thought of your own that you learned during your study of the same session. Ask what thoughts were surprising as the study was taught.

2. Thought From the Study

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is a foretelling of the events that occurred at Pentecost, which took place in Acts 2. At that time, the believers would be filled with the Holy Spirit and receive power to boldly proclaim the gospel. They would be given the supernatural gift to speak in various languages for the benefit of many Jews who had come for the festival from their various nations with various languages (Acts 2:1-11). This was the promised power and gift awaiting them—the Holy Spirit, the fuel for obeying the Great Commission.

- ▶ **What is the most difficult part about waiting on God?**
- ▶ **What was so amazing about God's promise to the disciples in this passage? How does this promise affect you today?**

3. Quote for Discussion

Discuss this quote together. How does this change your understanding of a relationship with Jesus?

Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you. —Corrie ten Boom

4. Conversation Questions

Use these questions to begin thinking through and applying the lessons to your family life:

1. How does our family handle the parts of God's plan that we don't understand?
2. What are some areas in our family's life where it's difficult to trust God's promises?
3. As a family, discuss the role of the Holy Spirit in your lives. How does His role in our lives and the fact that He empowers us encourage our family?
4. How can we encourage each other to recognize the role of the Holy Spirit and His importance in our lives and God's mission?