

# LifeGroup Sermon Series Study

2022-2023

*Series Six*



Pneuma

(pneu-ma)

(n) Greek for the Holy Spirit

## “Pneuma”



Pneuma comes from a Greek word that means literally ‘that which is breathed or blown’. In the Bible, it is used of the Holy Spirit or “Breath of heaven”. In Romans 8:1-27, this passage uses Pneuma 19 times in reference to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the third head of the triune God – God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. But the Holy Spirit is the one that is often misunderstood, feared, and in some cases dismissed as irrelevant.

Who is the Holy Spirit? Is He a force like in Star Wars? How does the Holy Spirit communicate? What is His role? Should the Holy Spirit be feared? Should the way the Holy Spirit shows Himself be feared? Why is the Holy Spirit important? How does the Holy Spirit interact with God? With Jesus? How does the Holy Spirit interact with the world? Does the Holy Spirit communicate to non-Christians? What is the Holy Spirit’s impact on the church? What happened at Pentecost? Does the Holy Spirit ever say anything that is contrary to what the Bible teaches? Is the Holy Spirit still giving spiritual gifts to followers of Jesus today?

So many questions and, unfortunately, followers of Jesus and even pastors don’t want to talk to Him. Sometimes the Holy Spirit is treated like a rebellious child in some church traditions. It creates fear or skepticism like the study of the supernatural or ghosts does to some people. In this series, we will try to answer these questions and more as we dig into what the Bible teaches about the Holy Spirit and His involvement with Jesus, the Bible, the church, the world, and followers of Jesus.

For His Kingdom,  
Pastor Doug

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# Lesson 1

## “Pneuma: The Holy Spirit is not just a force”

### I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand that the Holy Spirit is God.
- B. To help us know that the Holy Spirit is more than just some force.
- C. To help us see that the Holy Spirit has some personal attributes.

### II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
  
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

### III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Four reasons the Holy Spirit is not just a force:
  - 1. Personal attributes (\_\_\_\_\_ ) with the Holy Spirit. John 14:16, 17; 15:26; 16:7-14
  
  - 2. Divine (\_\_\_\_\_ ) given to the Holy Spirit. Psalm 139:7-10; Luke 1:35; John 14:26
  
  - 3. Names (\_\_\_\_\_ ) to the Holy Spirit. Isaiah 11:2; John 3:6-8; Romans 8:9
  
  - 4. Symbols (\_\_\_\_\_ ) with the Holy Spirit. Jeremiah 23:29; Matthew 3:16; John 15:3; Ephesians 5:26
  
- C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?

## Lesson 1 cont.

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: John 15:3; I Corinthians 2:10-13; Romans 8:26; Ephesians 4:30; Ephesians 5:26; I Corinthians 3:16; Hebrews 9:14; Hebrews 10:29.

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. When you think of the Holy Spirit, do you think of Him as God? Why or why not?
- B. How much do you understand about the Holy Spirit?
- C. Who do you know more about: God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, or the Holy Spirit? Why?
- D. What do you think is the difference between Star Wars' "the force" and the Holy Spirit?
- E. Why is it significant that the Holy Spirit has personal attributes associated with Him in the Bible?
- F. What do the names of the Holy Spirit teach us about the Holy Spirit?
- G. What do the symbols of the Holy Spirit show us about the Holy Spirit?

### V. **Community that is Accountable:**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the Holy Spirit is not just a force?



## Lesson 2

### “Pneuma: The Work of the Holy Spirit in Christ”

- I. **Purpose:**
- A. To help us understand how the Holy Spirit predicted the coming of Christ.
  - B. To help us know the Holy Spirit helped Jesus.
  - C. To help us see how the Holy Spirit was involved in Jesus’ coming to the earth.
- II. **Community that Cares: (10 minutes)**
- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
  
  - B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?
- III. **Community that Learns: (15 minutes)**
- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s Message.
  - B. Sermon outline: Three Works of the Holy Spirit in Christ:
    - 1. The Holy Spirit (\_\_\_\_\_ ) Jesus coming to the earth. I Peter 1:10-12
  
    - 2. The Holy Spirit (\_\_\_\_\_ ) in the virgin birth. Matthew 1:20; Luke 1:35
  
    - 3. The Holy Spirit (\_\_\_\_\_ ) Jesus’ personal development and ministry. Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 2:40
  
  - C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?

## Lesson 2 cont.

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: Matthew 3:16-17; Luke 4:16-22; Acts 1:2, 10:38; Romans 8:11; Hebrews 9:14; Revelation 22:17.

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. Have you ever thought of the Holy Spirit ministering to Jesus before? Why or why not?
- B. What impact does it have on you that the Holy Spirit was communicating to prophets about the coming of Christ?
- C. What role do you think the Holy Spirit had in the virgin birth?
- D. What does it mean to you that the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness to be tempted?
- E. How do you think the Holy Spirit helped Jesus minister?
- F. What does it mean to you that the Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove and landed on Jesus after His baptism?
- G. What do you think it means when Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah that the Spirit of God is on Him?

### V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the Holy Spirit's work in Christ?



# Lesson 2 cont.

## VI. Community that Prays: (5 minutes)

Spend a few minutes in silent prayer over your next step.

## VII. Community that Looks Ahead:

- A. The scripture next week is II Timothy 3:16.
- B. If you missed Sunday’s sermon, watch online at [www.lifewatercc.org](http://www.lifewatercc.org) before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week’s questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

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## Lesson 3

### “Pneuma: The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Bible”

#### I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand how the Holy Spirit was involved in the creation of the Bible.
- B. To help us know the Holy Spirit helps us to communicate the truth of the Bible.
- C. To help us see how the Holy Spirit helps us to understand the Bible.

#### II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

#### III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s Message.
- B. Sermon outline: Three Works of the Holy Spirit in the Bible:
  - 1. Revelation – (\_\_\_\_\_ ) of new truth.  
Genesis 3:16
  - 2. Inspiration – (\_\_\_\_\_ ) of truth. II Samuel 23:1-2;  
John 14:26, 15:26.
  - 3. Illumination – (\_\_\_\_\_ ) of revealed truth.  
I Corinthians 2:6-12; Ephesians 1:17-18.
- C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?

## Lesson 3 cont.

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: Exodus 20:1-12; II Timothy 3:16; I Peter 1:20-21; Revelation 1:1-12.

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. How would you explain to someone how the Holy Spirit was involved in creating the Bible?
- B. Is it significant that the Holy Spirit was involved in creating the Bible? Why or why not?
- C. Why is it important that the truth the Holy Spirit communicates is unaided by the human mind in revelation?
- D. How has the Holy Spirit used a preacher or teacher to help you understand biblical truth? Give an example.
- E. How has the Holy Spirit helped you to understand the Bible? Give an example.
- F. Have you ever had the Holy Spirit remind you of a Bible verse when you are in a certain situation? Explain how it happened.
- G. Is it appropriate to ask the Holy Spirit to help you to understand a passage of scripture? Why or why not?

### V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the Holy Spirit's work in the Bible?

## Lesson 3 cont.

**VI. Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes in silent prayer over your next step.

**VII. Community that Looks Ahead:**

- A. The scripture next week is **Acts 2:1-4**.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at [www.lifewatercc.org](http://www.lifewatercc.org) before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

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## Lesson 4

### “Pneuma: The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Church”

#### I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand how the Holy Spirit works in the church.
- B. To help us know the Holy Spirit planted the first church.
- C. To help us see that the church is in all followers of Christ.

#### II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
  
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

#### III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Three works of the Holy Spirit in the Church:
  - 1. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) at Pentecost the body of Christ.  
Acts 2:1-4
  
  - 2. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) it as the temple of God.  
I Corinthians 6:19, 20
  
  - 3. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) over and guiding the church into the will of God. Acts 15:28
  
- C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?

## Lesson 4 cont.

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: John 16:13; Acts 15:14-18; Ephesians 1:22-23, 2:21-22; II Corinthians 6:16; I John 2:20 & 27.

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. Why do you think God chose to bring the Holy Spirit to the earth at Pentecost in this way?
- B. How important do you think it was to the early church that the Holy Spirit came to the church at Pentecost in this way? Why?
- C. What does it mean to you that our bodies are a temple of God?
- D. What kind of impact does being a temple of God have on us Monday through Saturday?
- E. What are some ways that the Holy Spirit guides you in doing the will of God?
- F. How does the Holy Spirit guide the church in doing what God wants us to do?

### V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the work of the Holy Spirit in the church?

### VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes in silent prayer over your next step.



## Lesson 5

### “Pneuma: The Work of the Holy Spirit in the World”

#### I. Purpose:

- A. To help us understand how the Holy Spirit moves in the world.
- B. To help us know that the Holy Spirit convicts the world.
- C. To help us see that the Holy Spirit helps us to be effective in telling our story.

#### II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)

- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

#### III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Three works of the Holy Spirit in the world:
  - 1. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) the development of evil until God’s purpose is fulfilled. II Thessalonians 2:7
  - 2. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) and convicting of sin, righteousness, and judgment. John 16:8-11
  - 3. ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) the truth of God in preaching and testimony. John 15:26-27
- C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?



## Lesson 5 cont.d

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: Acts 2:37-41, 5:30-32; Romans 10:14-15.

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. What are some examples of the Holy Spirit restraining evil in our world today?
- B. Why doesn't the Holy Spirit restrain all evil?
- C. How could evil be part of God's purpose?
- D. How does the Holy Spirit convict sin and judgment in our world today?
- E. How does the Holy Spirit reveal righteousness in our world today?
- F. What are some ways that the Holy Spirit helps you in giving your testimony?
- G. Have you ever experienced this? Tell us your story?

### V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the work of the Holy Spirit in the world?

### VI. **Community that Prays: (15 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes in silent prayer over your next step.



## Lesson 6

### “Pneuma: The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Follower of Jesus”

**I. Purpose:**

- A. To help us understand the power we have from the Holy Spirit.
- B. To help us know that the Holy Spirit produces Godly fruit in our lives.
- C. To help us see how the Holy Spirit prepares us for ministry.

**II. Community that Cares: (10 minutes)**

- A. What is your next step and how are you doing with taking that step?
- B. How are you doing with your 5-5-5 this week?

**III. Community that Learns: (15 minutes)**

- A. Review the points of the Pastor’s message.
- B. Sermon outline: Four works of the Holy Spirit in the follower of Jesus:

1. Strengthen with (\_\_\_\_\_). Ephesians 3:16-17

2. (\_\_\_\_\_) fruit. Galatians 5:22-23

3. Guides in (\_\_\_\_\_) and inspires worship.  
Romans 8:26

4. (\_\_\_\_\_) spiritual gifts to equip followers of Christ to serve. I Corinthians 12:1-11; Romans 12:4-7; Ephesians 4:11-13

- C. What really spoke to you, challenged you, or encouraged you in these points?

## Lesson 6 cont.d

- D. Additional scriptures to look at: Ephesians 6:18; Philippians 3:3; Jude 20

### IV. **Community that Applies: (20 minutes)**

- A. Have you experienced the power of the Holy Spirit in your life? Give examples.
- B. What fruit is growing in your life right now? How is the Holy Spirit growing that fruit in your life?
- C. Have you experienced the Holy Spirit guiding your prayer times? Share examples.
- D. In what ways have you experienced the Holy Spirit helping you to worship God?
- E. What are your spiritual gift(s)? If people do not know their spiritual gift, go to this link to find out: <https://giftstest.com/test>
- F. How are you using your spiritual gift(s) in ministry?

### V. **Community that is Accountable: (15 minutes)**

Is there something you need to start or stop doing because of what you learned about the work of the Holy Spirit in the follower of Jesus?

## Lesson 6 cont.d

### VI. **Community that Prays: (5 minutes)**

Spend a few minutes in silent prayer over your next step.

### VII. **Community that Looks Ahead:**

- A. The scripture next week is **Mark 1**.
- B. If you missed Sunday's sermon, watch online at [www.lifewatercc.org](http://www.lifewatercc.org) before the next Life Group.
- C. Reflect on next week's questions during your five minutes of daily silence.

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### Week 1

- 1 – associated
- 2 - attributes
- 3 - assigned
- 4 - aligned

### Week 2

- 1 – predicted
- 2 - participated
- 3 - promoted

### Week 3

- 1 – Contribution
- 2 - Communication
- 3 - Clarification

### Week 4

- 1 - Planting
- 2 - Possessing
- 3 - Presiding

### Week 5

- 1 - Restraining
- 2 - Revealing
- 3 - Representing

### Week 6

- 1 – power
- 2 – Produces
- 3 – prayer
- 4 – Provides

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