



DECEMBER SCHEDULE



Friday December 9	6pm	LOVE HAS COME WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS EVENT
Sunday December 18	9am & 11am	<i>Children's Program</i>
Thursday December 22		No Service
Friday December 23	7pm	CHRISTMAS GATHERING
Saturday December 24	1pm 4pm 7pm	CHRISTMAS GATHERING
Sunday December 25	On Demand All Day	Special Christmas at Home Online Service
Thursday December 29	6:30pm	Dig Deeper
Sunday January 1	9am & 11am	Encounter Jesus

*Offices closed December 25 - December 31

CHRISTMAS
AT AWAKEN LAS VEGAS

ENCOUNTER JESUS

Week 14 | Overflowing Life | John 7:37-39

EVEN ON THE MALE AND FEMALE SERVANTS IN THOSE DAYS I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT.

Have you ever had a trusted and true friend that you lost contact with? For whatever reason you drift apart, and it's not until you're scrolling through your contacts that you see their name and are reminded to reach out. Or maybe they are brought to mind because you have a need they are especially suited to meet, or perhaps another friend jars your memory by bringing up their name. I say this because I believe it's exactly how Christians treat the Holy Spirit. He goes relatively unremembered until we are reading through the Bible and a verse mentions Him, or we have a desperate need that calls us to cry out, or we hear a message in church that mentions Him. The sad truth is that, according to Barna's research, the majority of Born-Again Christians don't believe the Holy Spirit is a real person. Rather, most believe Him to be a symbol of God's power, presence, or purity. In other words, Christians are confused about the Holy Spirit. Now is the time for believers to develop a real and meaningful relationship with the Holy Spirit.

Leaders: Take your group through each section: **Pray, Reflect, and Reach.** Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.



PRAY (10 min)

As a Life Group, take time to reflect and pray over this weekend's message. Spend time asking God to take you into a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Invite the Holy Spirit to reveal Himself to you.



REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

- 1. According to the teaching, what is the relationship between the Feast of Tabernacles and Jesus saying, "Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"**
- 2. The Holy Spirit brings the life of heaven to the heart of the believer. What does that look like? What Scripture verses support this? Take honest inventory. Does your life reflect the promise Jesus gave of the overflowing of God's Spirit in your life? For example, consider the fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22. If these are evidence of God's Spirit in your life, which ones are evident in your life and which aren't?**

BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, SELF-CONTROL; AGAINST SUCH THINGS THERE IS NO LAW.

GALATIANS 5:22-23

- 3. Pastor Derek talked about five ways to develop your relationship with the Holy Spirit: read, repent, remember, rely, and rejoice. Discuss each of these as a group and be intentional about implementing them in your life. Discuss what you expect to see as you grow in your relationship with the Spirit and how you can help each other grow. Include and share Scripture verses that might help.**

SIN EXTINGUISHES THE FIRE OF GOD'S SPIRIT IN YOU.



WEEKLY MEMORIZATION VERSE

Galatians 5:16

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.



REACH (5 min)

Considering what God revealed to you this week, seek a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit and anticipate that He will begin to do wonderful things in your life. Be prepared to share these things with other Christians and encourage them to pursue a deeper relationship with Him too.