

**Topic: “Connecting to the Power and Presence of the Holy Spirit”**

**Text: Luke 11:9-13**

**1. The Spirit-filled life**

- Ephesians 5:18
- 1 Corinthians 12:13

**2. Blessings of being filled with the Spirit**

- a) Greater love and intimacy
- b) Power and boldness
- c) Quiet confidence
- d) Greater trust in the Bible
- e) Renewed zeal for evangelism
- f) Deep joy (singing and worship)
- g) Greater wisdom and faith

h) Fresh love for Christ and others

**3. Steps to being filled with the Spirit**

- a) Confess your sins and receive cleansing and forgiveness
- b) Yield every area of your life to the control of the Holy Spirit
- c) Ask...in obedience to the command in Ephesians 5:18 and Luke 11:9-13
  - Pray for His power and release of His gifts for ministry
- d) Give thanks for the wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit
  - Begin to praise Him out loud
- e) Expect great things to happen to you, both now and in the days ahead
- f) My prayer...“*Send me and use me*”.