

# April Development Guide

## SUBJECT: BEING LED BY THE SPIRIT



### **Core Value: Surrender to the Holy Spirit.**

**For our lives and leadership to reflect the life and mission of Jesus, we surrender to the person, baptism, and gifts of the Holy Spirit.**

**We seek the Kingdom first by living in an ongoing personal relationship with the Holy Spirit and rely on His voice to teach, lead, and edify us.**

**1 Corinthians 2:10** - *“These are the things God has **revealed** to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the **deep things of God.**”*

The God Who is maker of all . . . He lacks nothing and needs no one. His intellect is beyond human understanding. He knows the beginning from the end.

- He wants to let you in on what He has to say!
- The way He says He will reveal these things to you is through His SPIRIT!

If God has things to reveal to us and His Spirit is the very vehicle God uses to impart these things, what does this look like practically?

#### **1. Acknowledge every day that the Holy Spirit is a person.**

If you don't see the Holy Spirit as a person, you will live your life viewing the Spirit of God as some far off, distant thing that comes in and out of our lives.

- When Jesus rose from the dead and was about to ascend into heaven, He told his disciples, IT IS BETTER THAT I GO - I am about to send you a helper!
  - What was Jesus referring to?
  - Jesus knew, in order to lead all who believed in Him for all generations to come, He had to leave and send His Spirit.

**His Spirit that would be with you wherever you go, every day, every minute, every second! TO ALWAYS BE WITH YOU!**

So, let me ask you this: If the Spirit of God is the person you will spend the MOST amount of time with in your lifetime, how can you acknowledge His presence more throughout your day?

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### 2. Let obedience be your ONLY response to the Holy Spirit.

*Proverbs 3:5-6 says, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will direct your path.”*

“Delayed obedience is disobedience.” – Pastor John Nuzzo

#### GO AND DO:

1. Take intentional time throughout your day to acknowledge Holy Spirit this week and surrender to His voice.
  - Ask Him, “Holy Spirit, what are You saying? How would You lead me today?”
2. If there is any area of your life that you know you’ve hesitated obeying God’s voice, I want you to repent (simply means to turn around, change your mind) and ask God what your next step is and give Him your “yes”!
  - Maybe it’s serving in that area you feel unqualified for . . .
  - Maybe it’s inviting that coworker to church . . .
  - Maybe it’s applying for that one job . . .
  - Praying for that family member who’s sick . . .

– Whatever it is, He is faithful.

#### REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. What were your biggest takeaways from this teaching?
2. How well do you feel your obedience is to the Holy Spirit?
3. What will you apply from this teaching?