



# GOD'S EMPOWERING PRESENCE

*A practical series to explore our personal spiritual giftings as a community*

# GUIDING PRINCIPLES AS WE SEEK TO ENGAGE THE HOLY SPIRIT IN NEW WAYS

- **Our Posture:** An “open mindset” rather than a “closed mindset”
- **Bible:** Appropriate interpretation and application of Scripture
- **Christian Community:** Continuous community conversations
- **Spirit Attentiveness:** The “still small voice of the Holy Spirit”
- **Circumstances:** Being aware of “closed and/or open doors”



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## GENESIS 1:1-2 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

# Moses: The burning bush and Mt Sinai



## The tabernacle



## The Temple



## MATTHEW 1:22-23 (NIV)

<sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had said through the prophet [Isaiah 7:14]: <sup>23</sup> 'The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel' (which means 'God with us').

## MATTHEW 28:18-20 (NIV)

*<sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'*

## MARK 16:15-18 (NIV)

<sup>15</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. <sup>16</sup> Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup> And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on people who are ill, and they will get well.'




## LUKE 16:46-49 (NIV)

*<sup>46</sup> Jesus told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'*

## JOHN 14:16-17 (NIV)

<sup>16</sup> "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another *advocate* to help you and be with you for ever – <sup>17</sup> *the Spirit of truth*. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you."



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