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**WELCOME:**  
Fixing  
Our Focus

**Suggested Icebreaker:**  
Ask GG members to share an experience when people didn't believe what they were saying. What were they sharing and why didn't the people believe them? How did it feel?

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**WORSHIP:**  
Adoring  
Our God

**Suggested songs:**

- [Holy Spirit Living Breath of God](#)
- [Wonderful Words of Life](#)

# WORD & WALK:

## Understanding & Applying the Word

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### LESSON AIM

1. GG members will rely on the Holy Spirit to enable them to minister to others.
2. GG members will study and use Scriptures to teach others.
3. GG members will trust God to deal with difficult circumstances resulting from their obedience.

### INTRODUCTION

After Jesus was baptized by John and tempted by the devil, he began his public ministry in the region of Galilee. The people in the countryside heard him teach during the Sabbaths and he was “being glorified by all.” However, when he came to minister to his hometown in Nazareth, he was rejected, with the people seeking to take his life.

### Jesus ministered throughout Galilee (vv. 14-15)

Jesus returned from the wilderness “in the power of the Spirit” and taught in the synagogues of the Galilean countryside. The people who heard him responded in faith and they glorified him.

1. How do you understand what being in the power of the Spirit means? What might it look like in our present day and age?
2. How did the people respond to Jesus? What kind of report do you think they were spreading about him in the countryside?

### Application

What are ways by which you tap the power of the Holy Spirit in your life?

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### **Jesus taught in Nazareth (vv. 16-27)**

Going around Galilee, Jesus finally arrived at his hometown of Nazareth. There, during the Sabbath, Jesus taught Scriptures and revealed himself as the fulfillment of the messianic prophecy found in Isaiah 61:1-2. The people doubted him because they thought they knew who Jesus was. Thus, Jesus rebuked them for their lack of faith.

1. What was the portion of Scripture that Jesus read (Isaiah 61:1-2) talking about?
2. What did Jesus reveal about the Scriptures he had just read? (cf. Luke 18:31; 24:44) How did Jesus fulfill this prophecy? (cf. Matthew 5:3; Colossians 1:13; John 9:39)
3. How did the people respond to Jesus? (cf. Matthew 13:54-58; Mark 6:1-3; John 1:11)
4. What truth did Jesus declare when he cited the stories of Elijah and Elisha? (cf. 1 Kings 17:8-9; 2 Kings 5)

### **Application**

When Jesus resisted the devil's temptations, he quoted Scriptures. When he was teaching and rebuking the unbelieving people of his hometown, he also used Scriptures. What are the steps you need to do so that you will develop a habit of teaching from Scriptures?

### **Jesus survived the people's attempt to kill him (vv. 28-30)**

The people's wrath was kindled when Jesus taught that God's deliverance can pass over the Israelites and be received by the Gentiles. Their pride kept them from seeing the truth which was written in Scriptures, and they sought to kill Jesus for declaring the truth. But God miraculously rescued Jesus from their hands.

# WORD & WALK:

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1. What did Jesus say that caused the people to respond in anger? Was their anger at Jesus justified?
2. What did the people plan to do to Jesus? What similar pattern do you see in the ministry of Jesus? (cf. John 7:28-30; 8:19-20, 57-59; 10:31-33; 11:45-53)

### Application

Many times people tried to kill Jesus because he obeyed God by boldly declaring the truth. Yet, Jesus trusted that God will preserve his life until it was time for him to sacrifice himself for the world. What are some difficulties you face because of your obedience to God? How are you trusting God to see you through them?

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### PRAYER ITEM

Father God, may I always depend upon your Spirit and not my strength to do the things you have prepared for me in advance. Teach me your words, that I may also share and teach them to others. I trust that you will watch over me as I follow you because you are faithful and trustworthy. Thank you for loving me and taking care of me. Amen.



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