

Women's Ministries: Week Four

Lead Me, Holy Spirit by Stormie Omartian

Next Women's Ministry Zoom Meeting:

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Hello, Ladies! It is good to "see" you here. I hope that you are enjoying our Bible Study by Stormie Omartian. I hope it is as much a blessing to you as it is for me. This week we will cover a summary of the questions in Chapter 1 under the section, *Led to Receive the Freedom and Wholeness God Has for You*. Below that will be questions from the Study Guide for this week's reading from Chapter 1, *Led to Receive the Inheritance Laid Up for You as God's Child*, Prayer Power and Word Power.

Summary

Jesus said He came to give you more abundant life, but that kind of abundance doesn't mean that you will have every material thing on your wish list. It means that the Holy Spirit will always lead you to liberation from anything that separates you from God and keeps you from becoming all He made you to be. "The Lord is the Spirit; and *where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*" (2 Corinthians 3:17) He sent us His Spirit because we cannot bear to stand in the holy, powerful presence of God. He is too powerful. But the more time we spend in His presence, the freer we become.

The author discusses that when we are led by the Holy Spirit, He will guide us away from guilt and condemnation and the enemy's lies and toward confession repentance, and a renewed heart before Him. She goes on to say that, "Often the pain in our lives comes from a lack of intimacy with God. And the only way we can experience that intimacy is to be in close communication with Him." That means finding that quiet time to be in His

presence, and praying without ceasing throughout your day. Bring every obstacle that comes between you to Him and ask Him to take them away.

Stormie goes on to say that “His Spirit is as close as your own heartbeat.” All you have to do to get closer to Him is take the time to find a quiet moment to be with Him. You CAN ask Him to free you from all your cares and ask for His holy peace. You CAN ask the Holy Spirit to help you remain free of something that was hindering you and He will help you. KEEP asking God to be closer, KEEP seeking His face, KEEP asking the Holy Spirit to help you with your cares and to help you stay free, KEEP asking for God’s peace, KEEP asking to become more whole with God. Because that is what God desires of us, to ultimately become whole with us as we walk with Him.

(This next section is for use with this week’s reading, *Led to Receive the Inheritance Laid Up for You as God’s Child.*)

Questions from the Study Guide

15. Read Romans 8:13-17. What happens when we live according to the flesh?

What happens if we live according to and are led by the Spirit?

If you are led by the Spirit of God, what does that make you? You did not receive the spirit of what?

You did receive the Spirit of what?

Because the Holy Spirit is in you, He testifies that you are a son or daughter of God. If you are a child of God, what does that mean you are?

16. Read Galatians 4:6-7. What did God do for you because you become a son or daughter of God by receiving Jesus?

17. Read John 3:1-3. How does God show His love for us?

Because you have this hope of seeing Jesus and becoming like Him, what can you do now to facilitate that?

18. Read Galatians 3:26-29. How have you become a child of God?

If you are in Christ, what are you in God’s eyes?

19. Read 1 Peter 1:3-5. We are heirs with Christ because God sees the righteousness of Jesus when we receive Him. We do not earn it. We receive it. God's mercy has given us this hope. What does verse 4 say about the inheritance God has for us?

20. Write out a prayer thanking God that you are an heir with Jesus of all the blessings God has bestowed upon Him. Tell Him what you are most thankful for as His child and what you look forward to as a son or daughter of His.

PRAYER POWER

Lord, I come before You and thank You for the inheritance You have given me as a child of Yours. Deepen my understanding of what Jesus accomplished on the cross. Speak to me about the inheritance I have because of what Jesus has done. Thank You that I am a joint heir with Christ. Help me to understand all You have given me and how to possess it in my life. Show me all I need to unlock and see in Your Word. Reveal things I have not seen before and bring them alive in me in ways I have not seen. Holy Spirit, teach me what You want me to see. I come before You now and ask You to speak to my heart about whatever You want me to hear.

Thank You, God, that You are my heavenly Father and You have made it possible for me to be called Your child (1 John 3:1). Enable me to see what it means to be Your child and inherit all You have for me. Thank You, Jesus, for the mansion You have prepared for me in heaven. Thank You that Your promises are true and You always keep them perfectly. Reveal Yourself to me in ever-deepening ways. I seek to know You more each day. Help me to open up to all You have provided for my life.

In Jesus' name I pray.

WORD POWER

Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ. --Colossians 3:23-24

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs -- heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.
--Romans 8:16-17

Next week, we will start Chapter 2, *Led to Be Filled*. I pray that this study will help you get closer to the Holy Spirit this week, and that you will begin to see Him work in you and through you.

Love in Christ,
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