



EPIC DISCIPLE: Jumping into the River's Flow

Purpose:

Each EPIC Disciple participant (alongside their assigned partner, if applicable) is invited to co-create a Holy Spirit-Fueled, Interactive Experience for their fellow group members. These experiences will help us go deeper into the practice and pursuit of six key spiritual gifts, with the goal of moving from head knowledge to heart transformation and daily activation.

Resources:

- Primary Guide: Familiar Stranger by Tyler Staton – pay close attention to the and references at the end of the book Notes (pg. 223). Use them as launchpads for deeper study.
- The Bible – Use Scripture to ground your experience in truth and to help the group engage the Word of God alongside the presence of the Spirit.

The Six Areas of Spiritual Gifts:

Discernment

Goal: Help others become more aware of the Holy Spirit's guidance and how to distinguish between spirits, voices, and motives.

Some Suggested Scriptures: Hebrews 5:14, 1 Corinthians 12:10, 1 John 4:1

Prophecy

Goal: Demystify the gift of prophecy and give people a chance to practice hearing and speaking God's heart for others.

Some Suggested Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 14:3, Joel 2:28 / Acts 2:17, 1 Thessalonians 5:20-21

Healing

Goal: Encourage boldness to pray for physical, emotional, and spiritual healing — and trust God for results.

Some Suggested Scriptures: James 5:14-16, Matthew 10:8, Isaiah 53:5

Witness

Goal: Awaken the group to the power of their story and the role of the Holy Spirit in sharing Jesus with the world.

Some Suggested Scriptures: Acts 1:8, 1 Peter 3:15, Revelation 12:11

Redemptive Suffering

Goal: Explore how the Holy Spirit meets us in suffering, and how suffering can be a vehicle for God's glory.

Some Suggested Scriptures: Romans 5:3-5, Philippians 3:10, 2 Corinthians 4:17

The Way of Love

Goal: Root all gifts in the love of God. Show that love is the highest pursuit and the foundation of all the others.

Some Suggested Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 13, John 13:34-35, Ephesians 5:1-2

Expectations:

- Interactive: This isn't a lecture—make it something the group can do, practice, or experience.
- Biblically Anchored: Use Scripture as your foundation.
- Spirit-Filled: Make room for the Holy Spirit to move.
- Creative: Videos, skits, journals, prayer activities, visual aids—go for it!
- Collaborative: If you have a partner, share leadership and preparation.

Remember:

“Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit...” — 1 Corinthians 14:1
This is your chance to jump into the river of God's movement and help others do the same.

Listen to Him. Take a risk. Have fun. Be bold.

This is discipleship in action.