

# WEEKLY GAME PLAN

## Moving From Comfort To Calling

**Read Acts 2:1-4 ESV, Genesis 2:7 NIV, Romans 8:26 NIV**

**Context:** The Holy Spirit is described as wind in the Bible. Spirit in the Greek is pneuma, meaning wind or breath. The Lord God, YHWH Elohim, breathed His breath into Adam when God formed Adam and that is what gave him life. In the same way the Holy Spirit in the New Testament is the breath in our lives that gives us spiritual life. How we are able to discern and have wisdom and use the sword of the Spirit, the Bible, is because of the Spirit we have in us.

**Reflection Question:** Since, as a Christ follower, you have the power of the Holy Spirit within you, how can you move about this week with more confidence in what God is telling you to do? How do you think spending more time listening to God when you pray would help this week?

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**Read Acts 3:2-8 NIV**

**Context:** This man had waited his whole life for something good to happen at the temple. He was carried there every day, day after day, to beg for his livelihood. Not only did Peter and John see him in his time of waiting, they knew they could offer him so much more than what he thought he needed. It's time to stop expecting God to do what we think we want and start being expectant for God to do something far greater than anything we could ask or imagine!

**Reflection Question:** What part of waiting can God use as part of your testimony this week? How can you begin to trust God more in the waiting? What examples has He given you to build your trust in Him? What strength do you have that you can use to help someone else this week?

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**Read Acts 1:8, Acts 20:22-23, Acts 4:31 ESV**

**Context:** We have a choice in this life. We can search for ways to be comfortable on a daily basis, which will inevitably lead to disappointment, or we can step into God's calling for us, which will be the richest rewarded life possible. While comfort is self-serving, living out our calling is Kingdom-serving. If you feel like you can't figure out what your calling is in your life, start with the things that you know God wants you to do; talk to friends and neighbors about what God has done for you, serve at church, pray for your

loved ones and enemies, and serve your community. God will reveal the rest as you move forward in obedience.

**Reflection Question:** What is keeping you from serving God in the small ways that you already know you can? How can you train yourself to be more concerned with your calling over your comfort? At the end of your life, what would you like to look back on as your mission fulfilled? How can you move toward this today?

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### **Read Acts 5:3-5, Genesis 3:8-9, Acts 9:10, Hebrews 10:5,7**

**Context:** Sometimes it can be scary to step into our calling. We don't always know where God is leading us. We don't know how we're going to get there and we don't always have a team agreeing that it's a good idea. But what we do have is God Himself and that is always more than enough. More than anything else that He could want from us, God wants our trust filled obedience. Not trust based on fear of reprisal, but a trust that is based on believing that God loves us, wants the best for us and will catch us when we fall. Like when we watch a little kid jump into the waiting arms of a dad at a pool, our trust can look like that when we believe God wants that good relationship with us.

**Reflection Question:** How can you keep fear from leading you to hiding from God and isolation from others? What does your relationship with God look like right now? Is that how scripture says God thinks about you?

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### **Read 2 Timothy 1:7, Isaiah 41:9-10, Romans 8:28**

**Context:** God will not leave us without hope. We are promised to go through hard times, but He will always be with us. He gives us the strength to do the things He asks of us. And He is the one who holds us up. Through the Spirit we have power. When we couple that with love, we can accomplish being the hands and feet of Jesus here on earth that He wants to see us be.

**Reflection Question:** How can you move forward with what God has already given you to do while you are waiting for Him to reveal more of His calling for your life? What would that look like practically today?

End in prayer.