

Chapter 19 (1 - 7)

Paul left Corinth and went to the city of Ephesus where he found a dozen men who had been baptized by John the Baptist.

He asked them "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied "We have not been taught about the Holy Spirit"

When Paul explained Jesus to them, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Paul then prayed with them using the laying on of hands, and the Holy Spirit came down on them.

They began to speak in tongues and to prophesy.

**Holy Spirit, please fall afresh on me
and increase your influence in my life**

Chapter 19 (8 - 10)

For three months, Paul went to the Jewish prayer hall in Ephesus, speaking boldly about the kingdom of God.

When some Jews strongly attacked the Way, he stopped going to the prayer hall, and began daily discussions in a lecture room.

He kept doing this for two years, with the result that people from many places, both Jews and non-Jews, were able to hear the word of God.

**Jesus, please give more and more people
the opportunity to hear your word**