

The Gift of Tongues

A four-part Bible study journey





Study 1

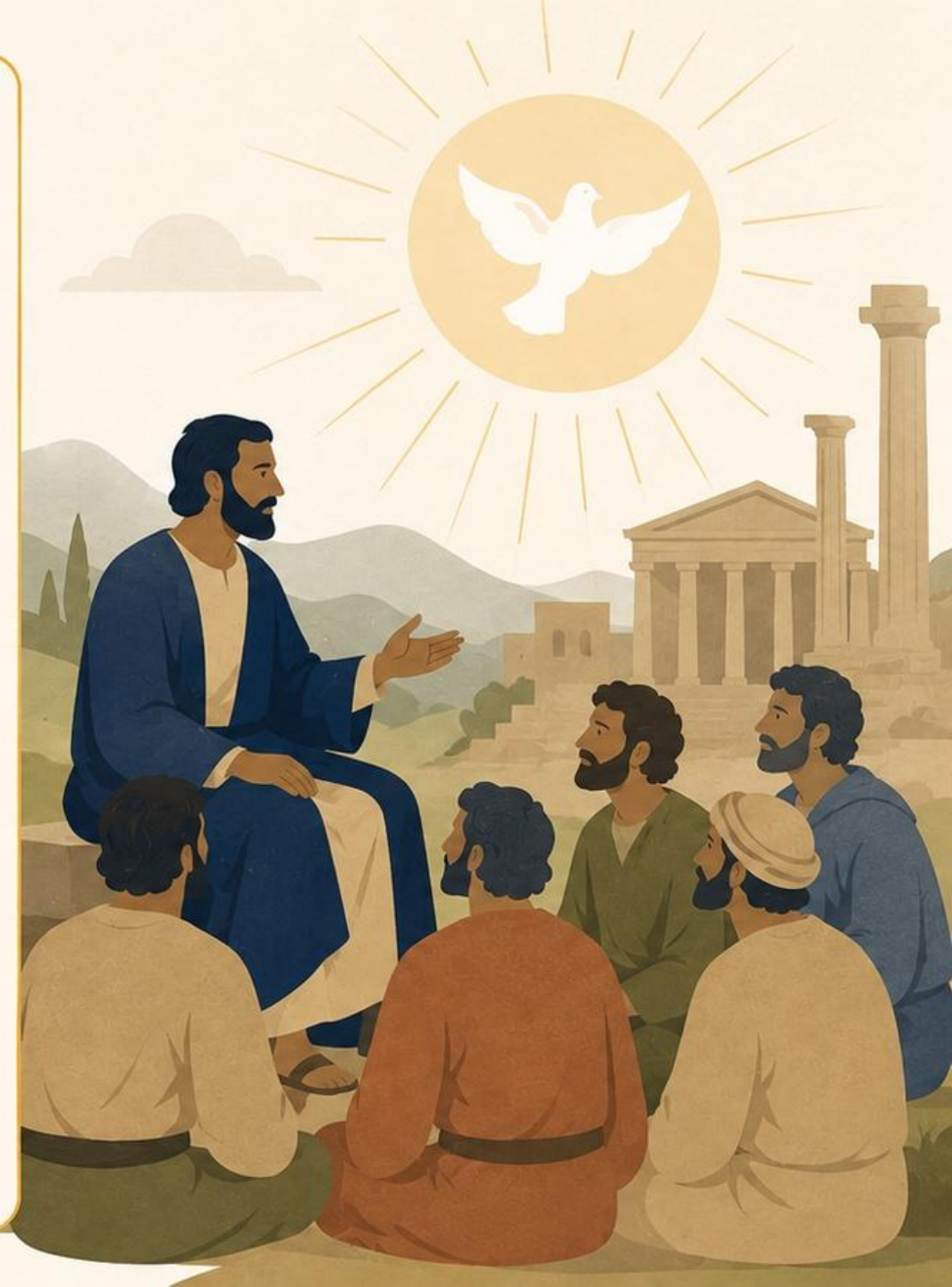
Tongues as Evidence of the Holy Spirit



Scripture

Acts 19:1–7 (NIV)

While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the road through the interior and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” So Paul asked, “Then what baptism did you receive?” “John’s baptism,” they replied. Paul said, “John’s baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied. There were about twelve men in all.



Teaching Context



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Acts 19:2
shows Holy Spirit
received after belief



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Acts 19:6
shows tongues
follow Holy Spirit
infilling



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Mark 16:17
confirms tongues
as sign of
believers



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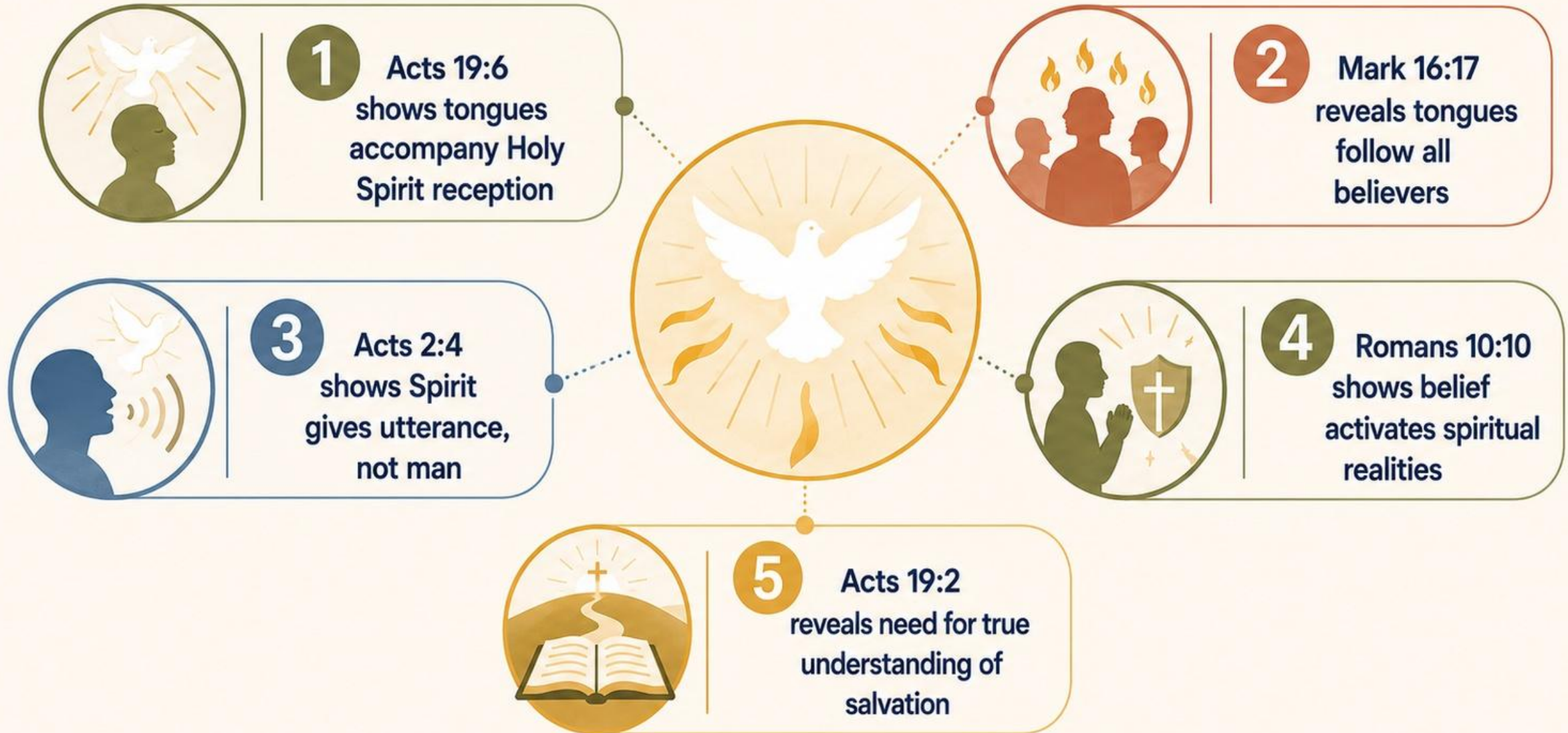
Acts 2:4
shows Spirit
produces tongues
utterance



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Romans 10:10
shows belief leads
to salvation
experience

Message Synopsis



Goal & Focus

- 1** Understand tongues as evidence of Holy Spirit
- 2** Remove confusion about receiving the Spirit
- 3** Embrace simplicity of belief and manifestation
- 4** Recognise gift already given through Christ
- 5** Activate faith in receiving and expressing tongues



Discussion Questions

- 1 According to Acts 19:2, what question did Paul ask?
- 2 What happened in Acts 19:6 after Spirit came?
- 3 How does Mark 16:17 describe tongues for believers?
- 4 Why is Acts 2:4 important for understanding tongues?
- 5 What does Romans 10:10 teach about believing?



Additional Questions

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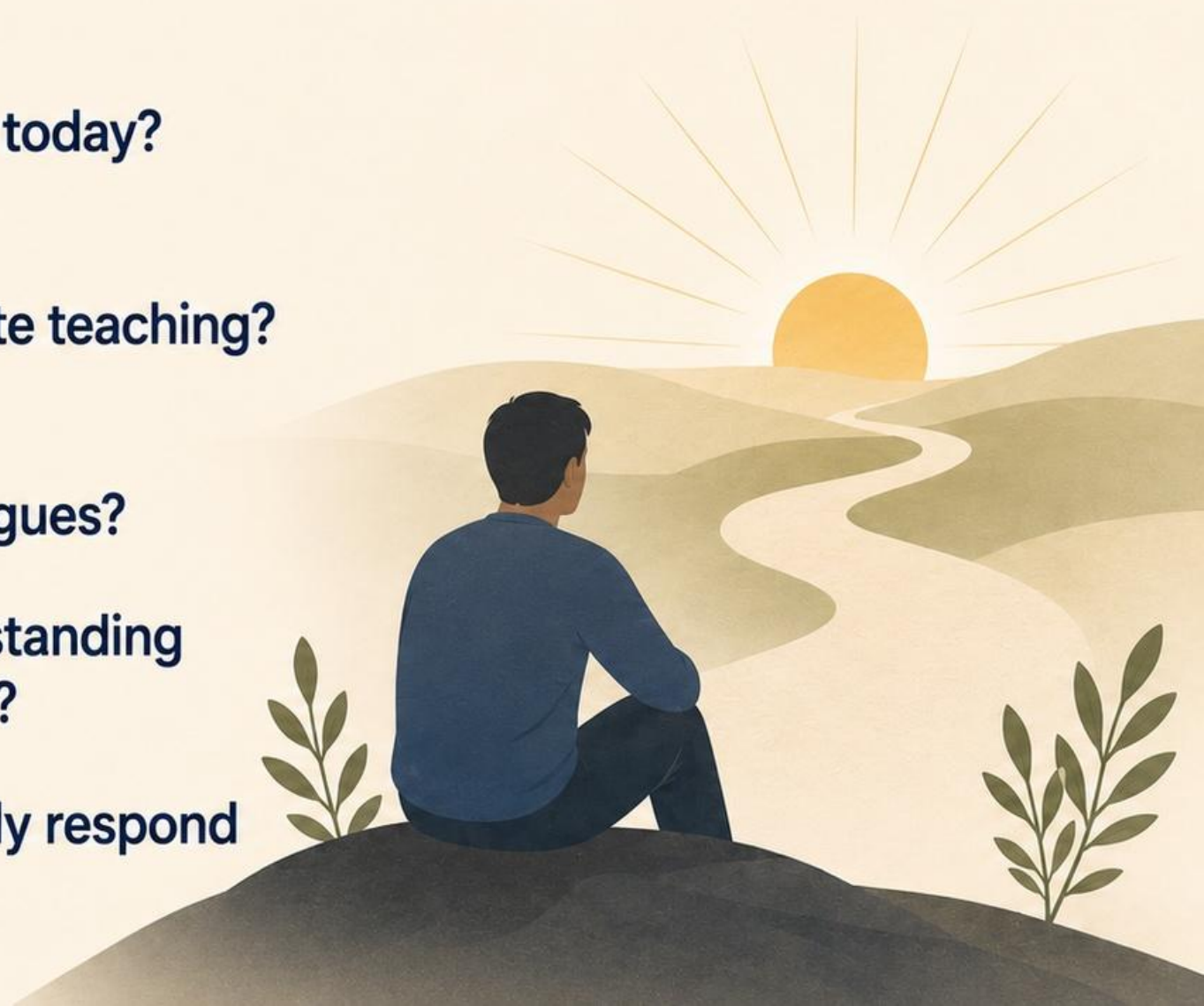
1 Why might believers struggle with tongues today?
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2 What does Acts 19:2 reveal about incomplete teaching?
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3 How does Mark 16:17 simplify receiving tongues?
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4 What role does understanding play in spiritual growth?
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5 How can you personally respond to this teaching?



Feedback & Summary



1 Tongues follow genuine belief in Christ



2 Holy Spirit gives utterance, not human effort



3 The gift is received, not earned or learned



4 Understanding removes doubt and activates faith



5 Believers must embrace truth and walk in it

