

¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. ¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.

John 14:16-17 NLT

Why aren't more people living a Spirit-filled life?

They don't know the Holy Spirit.

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul traveled through the interior regions until he reached Ephesus, on the coast, where he found several believers. ² "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" he asked them. "No," they replied, "we haven't even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." ³ "Then what baptism did you experience?" he asked. And they replied, "The baptism of John."

Acts 19:1-3 NLT

They don't want the Holy Spirit.

"You stubborn people! You are heathen at heart and deaf to the truth. Must you forever resist the Holy Spirit? That's what your ancestors did, and so do you!"

Acts 7:51 NLT

Why should I desire a Spirit-filled life?

The Holy Spirit helps me.

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever. John 14:16 ESV

The Holy Spirit leads me.

But when the Spirit of truth comes, he will lead you into all truth. He will not speak his own words. He will speak only what he hears and will tell you what will happen in the future. John 16:13 ERV

The Holy Spirit changes me.

"And when he has come he will convince the world of its sin, and of the availability of God's goodness, and of deliverance from judgment."

John 16:8 TLB

The Holy Spirit enables me.

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8 NLT