



God's Gift to His Church

Acts of the Church, Acts 1:4-8, John 14-16

October 15, 2023

Community Group Discussion Questions

PLEASE READ BEFORE LEADING DISCUSSION

- Recommended questions are highlighted in bold, but <u>select 5 or 6 questions</u> you think will work best for your group discussion. You likely won't have time to discuss all of the questions so choose which questions you will ask ahead of time and make sure to provide plenty of time to focus on the application questions.
- Feel free to edit or reword questions to best fit your group.
- You may want to print out copies of this document for everyone so they can follow along with the questions as you read them.
- Check out this Facilitation Guide (http://bit.ly/CGFacilitationGuide) for tips on leading good discussions.

ICEBREAKER (5-10 Minutes)

1. Share your name and one of the best gifts you have received.

OPENING THE DISCUSSION (5-10 Minutes) – Have someone recap the message in about a minute or two and then ask the following questions:

- 2. As you look at the notes from Sunday's message, what stood out to you about the Holy Spirit's role in our lives?
- 3. What is something about the Holy Spirit that you learned for the first time, or impacted you in a fresh way?
- 4. What aspects of the Holy Spirit do you still have questions about?

DIGGING DEEPER (10 Minutes) – ask everyone to follow along in their Bible or Bible app. You might consider looking up these passages online and sharing your screen to review them together.

- 5. Read Acts 1:4-8.
 - Why are Jesus' final words about the Holy Spirit so important for His followers to remember?
- 6. Read John 14:15-20.
 - Look at these verses carefully. What do they teach us about who the Holy Spirit is and what He does?
- 7. Read John 16:7-15.
 - According to Jesus' words in these verses, what else does the Holy Spirit do in our lives?
- 8. Read Ephesians 1:13-14.
 - o What do we learn from these verses about the Holy Spirit's role in our salvation?

APPLYING IT (10-20 Minutes) -

- 9. The Holy Spirit convicts of sin, guides us into truth, and comforts us.
 - Which of these ways do you see the Holy Spirit guiding you right now? Be as specific as you can.
- 10. What sin is the Holy Spirit convicting you of?
- 11. Where in your life is the Holy Spirit guiding you to change or see things differently?
- 12. Where are you finding comfort from the Holy Spirit?