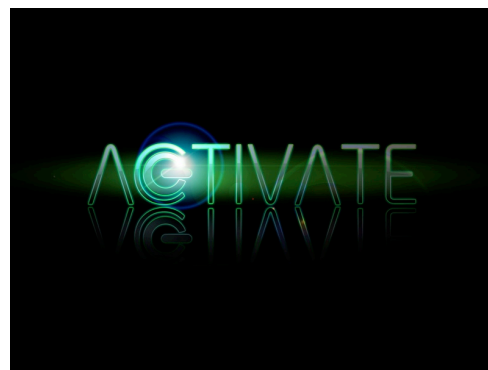


Talk it Over | Week of 3.2.14 | Activate!

Talking through the message during the week and in the Life Group context helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These discussion points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you're leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.



Opener: What's the best experience you've ever had serving in a ministry or a ministry team? Is there a ministry team that you are interested in serving in now? What are you doing to get involved?

Read Haggai 1:1-8, 12-14, II Timothy 1:6-7.

1. What was remarkable about the way that the people responded to Haggai's message? Why?
2. The people were accustomed to speaking a deactivating statement – "*The time has not come.*" How do deactivating statements like "It's someone else's job" or "I'm not ready yet" effect the people who speak them out?
3. Do you have a deactivating statement that needs to be removed from your thoughts and speech? What is it?
4. What are some activating statements? Share them.
5. Discuss how deactivation can come from disconnection.
6. Fear Deactivates, but Love, Hope, and the Voice of God activate. Share some biblical examples of each.

Read Matthew 14:22-33, Romans 4:17.

7. How did the word of the Lord enable Peter to walk on water? What happened after Peter sank? Is there a place that you need to get back up where you have stumbled? Allow this to lead into prayer time for one another.

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