



Talk it Over | Week of May 5, 2013

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

- Have you ever had a project that an extended amount of time to complete? What hindered you? What helped you complete it?

A Picture of the Ministry of the Holy Spirit – Read Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38-39, & 42

- Do these verses excite you or trouble you? Explain.
- Discuss how Nehemiah's role in Jerusalem pictures the ministry of the Holy Spirit in our lives.
- Share your experience of being baptized in the Holy Spirit. Was it a surprise, or did you seek for weeks/months/years? How did God prepare you? What change in your life afterwards?
- Have you found fellow believers or non-believers open or closed to talking about the person of the Holy Spirit? Have you been surprised by this?

The Body of Christ – Read Nehemiah 2:18, and 3 (any portion of several verses), II Corinthians 8:3-5, and I Corinthians 12:12-26.

- Why is it important to: a) rise up in the assignment that God has given you, b) celebrate others in the body of Christ (working on the wall), and c) not try and persuade others to leave their assignment.
- Think about the gifts that God has given you? What part of the "body" of Christ do you believe that might correspond to, and why? (Consider how intricate human physiology is including all of the circulatory systems, neurological systems, cardiovascular system, digestive system, all the different muscle groups and functions).
- For a ministry time take time to celebrate each person in the group. Take a moment to pray blessing over them, and expand to other life groups and other churches.

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