

## Questions for eGroup Discussion

### *What's Burning?*

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#### How to Use This Guide in a Group Setting

**Group Participants:** Review your notes from the message and ask the Holy Spirit to continue to speak to you about your life. Come to eGroup prepared to participate. Watch the message online if you missed it live.

**Group Leaders:** Give everyone the chance to share, focusing on the questions that connect most with your group. Don't feel you must answer every question. If someone missed the message, allow time for others to fill them in on the main points and highlights.

#### Getting Started

Can you remember a specific Christmas, birthday or maybe wedding proposal memory where someone did a great job of building up to a climax moment?

If yes, can you share a little bit about how that day played out and the feelings you experienced as the climax moment hit?

#### Embrace the Gospel

In our eGroup discussion guides, we're utilizing a simple structure for studying the Bible together, based on the acronym S.O.A.P. ...

**Spirit:** *Invite The Holy Spirit To Speak To You and To Guide Your Discussion*

Begin by praying and inviting the Spirit's activity into your discussion and application of God's Word.

### Observation: *What Does This Passage Say?*

Read aloud Luke 10:17-24

What stands out to you from these verses (in terms of words, phrases, themes, personalities, interactions, etc.), or stood out to you from this week's message on these verses? What questions do they raise, or surprises do they contain?

Jesus points out that the powers of Heaven are greater than those of Satan and that we have been granted this authority. Do you live in the reality that you possess this power – the same power granted to the 72?

Stetson referenced the power of hope. Are you currently living in this hope? Are there current challenges in your life where you need to more fully embrace this hope?

Jesus hit the pause button on the rejoicing the 72 were exhibiting at the casting out of demons. Why would He instead direct them to rejoice in knowing their names are written down in heaven?

Do you recognize that the writing of your name in the Book of Life has the same authority and permanence as the writing of the Ten Commandments? How does this impact you?

## Embrace the Gospel Continued

These verses climax with the unveiling of what had previously been hidden about how the salvation story would unfold through Jesus. As Jesus shared this revelation, what do you suppose ignited His bursting forth of joy?

Until this point in time, even followers of God were denied an intimate relationship with Him. Attempt to describe how this would feel for you today to be a believer without direct access to our Father. Does viewing your life before becoming a Christian give you a better understanding of how monumental this change was to those hearing Christ's teaching?

### Application: *What Is God Saying To Me?*

Similar to the 72 experiencing the rush of casting out demons, what spiritual experiences might you currently be relying too heavily on to sustain you that do not have lasting power?

In contrast, what does it look like for you to more fully rejoice in the following:

1. The fact that your name is written in the Book of Life
2. The fact that you can experience today a closeness with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit that was impossible before Jesus
3. The fact that there is no more waiting
4. The fact that the Spirit lives within you

How might more fully embracing the above provide you a more lasting joy?

## Experience the Spirit

### **P**ray: *Ask For God's Help In Living Out His Word*

Where in your life is the joy of God's promise through Jesus not being experienced?

Pray that we would fully embrace this amazing blessing of living in a world that was touched by the tangible presence of Jesus.

## Engage in Mission

It is our hope that we would be "For Our City and Beyond" and with that hope in mind, we have created "Serve Day" opportunities.

The first of Christ Community's three Serve Days for 2017 takes place July 15<sup>th</sup>. This day will present an opportunity to bless our schools with the love of Jesus. This would also offer a great chance for your whole eGroup to join together in mission outreach.

If you or your eGroup are interested in participating, please register on the Christ Community website or app. You can submit your registration individually, as families or collectively as your whole eGroup.

Hope you can take part!



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