

## Questions for eGroup Discussion

*To Be Continued ...*

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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

What has been one of your favorite or most frustrating cliffhangers to a movie or tv show?

## 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 Luke 24:36-53 aloud.

From these verses and Pastor Alan's message, what stands out to you, intrigues you, inspires you, or creates some tension for you?

Why do you think it was important to Jesus that the disciples recognized that he was not a ghost (vs. 39) but was his actual physical presence?

Jesus regularly pointed back to the teachings of the Old Testament (vs. 44) being fulfilled through him. While this was very important to his Jewish audience, what impact does that have on you and how you see him?

Jesus stresses to the disciples that his resurrection is the answer to sin (vs. 47). How do you think you would have dealt with the sins of your life today had you lived prior to Christ's resurrection and the new reality of forgiveness?

## Embrace the Gospel Continued

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

When we hear the word “witness” in a Christian setting, we tend to automatically perceive it as a verb. How might it benefit us to first process this word as a noun (i.e. we are witnesses - vs. 48)?

Once you have witnessed something, what obligations does this present?

When is an example of a time where you had the opportunity to witness to someone? Or maybe when you had an opportunity and felt a strong sense to be a witness in some form but you held back? What held you back?

When engaging with a non-Christian or more generally speaking, a lost world, how have you in the past or how might you in the present more fully recognize and live in the reality that the Holy Spirit is there with you and for you?

Can you share a time when you felt deeply connected with the Holy Spirit while interacting with someone else?

What are some examples of times you have experienced great joy (vs. 52) through blessing someone around you (specifically someone who may not be a believer)? Who is someone you could bless today with Christ’s love?

## Experience the Spirit

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

How fully are you currently living in the peace and joy that God has given you through Jesus?

As you pray together as a group this week, begin by asking God to help you more fully experience his perfect love and forgiveness? As you experience this more fully, pray that the Holy Spirit will encourage you to feel a strong desire for those around you to experience this same peace and joy. Pray that you and the members of your group would be more fully aware of the Holy Spirit's presence and his desire to guide and support you in the call that God has placed before you.

When you're done, spend time praying for the general needs and concerns for one another.

## Engage in Mission

It's our desire that every individual and eGroup at Christ Community make a difference by compassionately moving outward toward people who are lost, needy, and broken, demonstrating the love of Jesus in highly relational ways.

A reminder that Summer is the perfect time to blend eGroup community with highly-relational connections with people who've yet to have a relationship with Christ. Things like cookouts, camping trips, outdoor concerts, and trips to the mountains, the lake, or to a Rockies game can become the context for building relationships, asking good questions, and genuinely caring for people, regardless of their spiritual upbringing.

As your eGroup maps out its plans for the next couple of months, why not build in a couple of gatherings for this purpose? Be creative, and make it fit the unique network of friends, neighbors, and activities your group members enjoy doing. And then pray for God to show up and do something really cool!



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