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Weekly Study

## START

To get things started, go around and answer the following question:

**If you could visit anyone in the world today, who would it be and why?**

## SHARE

Welcome back to Group! This week, Andrew continued our new series *Established*. Once we *Experience God, Find Family and Discover our Purpose*, the next step will be to *go and Make a Difference*.

**Before we jump in, check-in with each other by asking one of these questions:**

**Where did you see God in this week?**

**What is one way you were able to share in the work God is doing around you?**

## GROW

**Read 1 Peter 4:7-11**

Peter wrote this as an encouragement to persecuted Christians. To spur them on in the fight as they follow Jesus. To strengthen them and to remind them of their purpose.

**How does Peter's words in this Scripture encourage, strengthen or spur you on as you continue to *establish* your faith in Jesus Christ? Is there one specific verse that speaks to you?**

This week, Andrew shared story of a time when God used him to reach a local HS football team. He took responsibility, he made himself available, he asked God to speak, and he responded. Andrew went outside the four walls of the church, fully knowing his purpose and mission in that season was to *go* and make a difference in students' lives for the Kingdom of God.

**Have you experienced something similar? Whether you were one that experienced God because someone intentionally poured into you or you were the one, similar to Andrew, that knew the mission to make a difference? Share with your group.**

Humanity has always been God's purpose. Whether they know him or not yet, he will fight to the end to redeem and restore what was lost. God seeks those who don't know his love, and nothing will stop him until they do. He invites us, his children to be a part of his mission on earth as it is in Heaven. What an honor it is to be invited into the work of God!

**Who in your life needs to experience the God? What is one practical and intentional way you can serve this person/people this week?**

## MOVE

We are at the finish line on our *21-day prayer and fast* as a church. This was a time that we dedicated to sit with Jesus, to be with him and him be with us. Share with your group your experience by using some of these questions to dig a little deeper.

**Share your experience during your prayer and fast this week. What has God revealed to you during this time about him? About yourself?**

Out of the last few weeks, what is one thing from the daily devotions that God challenged you with?

Is making prayer and fasting a part of your spiritual practice significant as you *establish* your faith?

Was this experience difficult for you? Why or why not?

#### P R A Y

As a group, take time to pray over each other. Ask God to infuse you with his Spirit as you intentionally go into your workplace, the local grocery store, to school, or in your own home to make a difference for the Kingdom of God. People are hurting and we know that to experience God is the only thing that brings True healing. Remember, we do not go alone.

#### T O G O

*“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)*