



March 19th, 2017: GREATER THAN VISION

OPENING

- Grace's history is a story of moving and multiplying. How many times have you moved in your life? What were the reasons? What challenges did you face?
- How did Eric's message make you feel? Are you excited about what God is doing at Grace? Why or why not?

DISCUSS & APPLY

Read Acts 1:6-11

In the days when Jesus was crucified and resurrected, the Romans ruled over Israel. Knowing that, why do you think Jesus' disciples asked their question in v.6? Why do you think Jesus responded the way that he did in v.7?

- If you could ask God anything, what would you ask and why?
- Why do you think God "keeps us in the dark" about certain things? How do you tend to respond to that?
- Just like the disciples, sometimes our priorities can be different from God's priorities. What the disciples wanted wasn't bad, it just wasn't on Jesus' agenda for that moment. Talk about a time when you wanted something but God responded "not yet." What do you think God wanted you to focus on?

Jesus says to his followers, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you." What kind of power is Jesus talking about? (see Mark 13:11; John 14:26; Romans 5:5; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11)

- How has God changed you from the inside out?
- Has God ever used you to do something you didn't think you could do? Explain.
- As God leads Grace to partner with local schools and start a new campus, how is he leading you to participate in that mission?

FINAL APPLICATION

God doesn't just want to bless us, but he wants us to use his blessings to bless others. In what practical ways are you blessing others? In what ways are you telling others about Jesus? What might your next step be?

PRAY

God wants to give each of us the power of the Holy Spirit so that we can bring others closer to Jesus. While praying in groups of 3, confess ways in which you have prioritized your desires over God's desires, and ask for his power and leading to be a blessing to others.