

# small group discussion questions



**Discussion Questions will discontinue during the months of June, July, and August and will resume in September.**

## *The Gift of the Holy Spirit*

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## Ice Breaker

- Is summer a time to rest and rejuvenate, or a stressful busy time for you?
- What is one thing you're looking forward to about this summer?

## Discussion Questions:

1. On Sunday Pastor Brian talked about the different ministries of the Holy Spirit.

### **The Holy Spirit...**

- A. Gives life
- B. Convicts, teaches, and guides us
- C. Sets us free from the power of sin
- D. Helps us to talk dynamically to God in prayer
- E. Empowers us to share a living Jesus
- F. Strengthens, comforts, and encourages us

- Share an experience you've had with Holy Spirit in one of these areas.
- In which area do you desire to grow in understanding and partnership with the Holy Spirit?
- What is a practical way you can learn to partner with the Holy Spirit more?

2. Read each of these sections of Acts 2 and answer the following questions.

**SECTION 1:** Acts 2:1-13

**SECTION 2:** Acts 2:14-21

**SECTION 3:** Acts 2:42-47

- What are the manifestations or indicators that the Holy Spirit showed up?
- What does the Holy Spirit do once He shows up?
- How were people impacted by the Holy Spirit after He showed up?
- What do we learn about God through the ministry of the Holy Spirit?

3. What are some fears or inhibitions or misunderstandings you've had about the Holy Spirit?

4. What has been your previous church teaching, understanding, and experience with the ministry of the Holy Spirit?

## **Ministry Time: [20-30 min]**

As a large group discuss two or three of the ministries of the Holy Spirit that you want to grow in. Take some time to pray from the scriptures and invite the Holy Spirit to help you (all) grow in those areas.

Then, take time to lay hands on each person and pray for the Holy Spirit to fill, strengthen, refresh and empower that person.