

# RIVERS CROSSING COMMUNITY CHURCH

Community Group Discussion Guide  
June 4, 2017



## Preach It – LaMorris Crawford

### INTRO:

LaMorris said “God has put something on the inside of each of us and when we don’t live it out, we are robbing the world of what God wanted through us”. Do you know what God put in you uniquely for the world? If you do, what are you doing with it?

### DIVE IN:

**LaMorris spoke this week from 1 Kings 19. For some context, 1 Kings 18 is a big showdown between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. God has a huge victory through him, and then he runs away scared. As you begin your discussion, skim through 1 Kings 18 to get the back story and then read 1 Kings 19:1-16 to prep for the following questions...**

1. Elijah went from a spiritual victory to a valley of fear really quickly. Have you ever bottomed out in your faith after a spiritual breakthrough? What happened? What was it like when you experienced the valley?
2. LaMorris gave an acronym for FEAR – False Evidence Appearing Real. Was Elijah’s fear real? Have you ever run from fear like Elijah did?
3. What has God put in your that you’ve allowed fear to steal from what God wants in/through you?
4. LaMorris said “some of us are in the wrong environments and we wonder why our gifts aren’t functioning”... Have you ever experienced this first hand?
5. Elijah finally comes out of the cave when he thinks God’s presence is gone. God surprised him and spoke. Has God ever surprised you by speaking when you least expect it?
6. God asks Elijah twice the same question – “What are you doing here?” Both times Elijah gives the same response and makes excuses. What excuses do you make to God when He asks you tough questions?
7. Elijah’s excuses were focused on the past. How are you living in past spiritual victories or failures instead of doing what God has graced you to do NOW?

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8. God sends Elijah on his way and sends him to anoint Elisha as an assistant and future prophet. God sends help to strengthen his call on our lives. Who's God sending alongside you to help you fulfill God's call on your life?
9. LaMorris said "If you're casual about your faith, you will end up a faith casualty". Revelation says if you're lukewarm, you'll get spit out of God's mouth. Pretty graphic imagery of what happens when we aren't intentional in our faith. What are you doing to pursue what you know God wants from your life?

## NOW WHAT:

1. What part of this week's message has had the greatest impact on you? What truth(s) has God taught you through the message and our group discussion?
2. What do you need to do with that truth this week to become a fully engaged follower of Jesus?