



As the discussion leader, here are a few things to keep in mind for your Life Group: • **Pray** for your group discussion time! • **Review** your notes from Sunday's message and familiarize yourself with the discussion questions prior to your group meeting. • **Choose** a few questions from the guide which you feel will generate the most discussion in your group. For questions with multiple parts, answer the first part before reading the next part to the group. These questions are designed to build on the answer of the previous part before moving on.

Getting to Know Me

Share about a work, school, or social situation where someone intervened for you, or where you saw a person intervene on another's behalf.

Exploring the Word – Romans 8:26-28

1. As you listened to the message, what points stood out?
2. Read Romans 8:26-27. In these verses, what three ways does the apostle Paul state that the Holy Spirit helps us when we pray? How else does the Spirit inspire us to pray (refer to Romans 8:15)?
3. How does Jesus intercede for us when we pray (refer to Hebrews 7:24-25 & 1 John 2:1)? How does the knowledge of how Jesus and the Holy Spirit intercede for each believer in prayer affect your view of prayer?
4. Read Mark 1:7-8, Luke 24:29, & Acts 19:1-2, 6. Discuss how these passages of Scripture show that speaking in tongues is a normative experience available for every believer. How does this knowledge impact your view of speaking in tongues?
5. Why is praying and worshiping in tongues a mindful experience? How does a person seek the Baptism in the Holy Spirit?
6. Read Romans 8:28. Even though God is working in our lives for good, things don't always go as we expect or desire. How can we account for this? How does prayer help us trust God and prepare us to embrace whatever happens in our lives?



Romans 8:26-28

I. Worship and prayer in the Spirit is transcendent speech (v. 26)

- The Holy Spirit is our “_____” of spiritual harvest.
- The Holy Spirit helps our praying due to our _____.
- The Holy Spirit is the author of the _____ when we worship or pray in tongues.

II. Worship and prayer in the Spirit is inarticulate speech. (v. 27)

- Worship and prayer in tongues is _____ speech.
- Worship and prayer in tongues is _____.
- Inarticulate speech is not the absence of _____.

III. Worship and prayer in the Spirit is purposeful speech (v. 28)

- Spiritual practices are not irrational, but rather are _____.
- God causes everything to work _____ for our good.
- God does not _____ all of life's circumstances.
- God gives us purpose to endure all the _____ injustices of life – redemption.