

# Community Group Discussion Guide

## Step 01: Recap what our current series is all about.

**Note:** Remind the group what series we're currently on (since not everyone will have been at church recently) and read through the series description provided below to refresh everyone on what it's all about.

**Series Title:** Come Holy Spirit

**Description:** The Holy Spirit plays a pivotal role in the life of every believer. We want to begin our year with this three-word prayer: Come Holy Spirit. Our hope is that this series will help you grow in your understanding of the Holy Spirit so that you can be more aware of His work in your life!

## Step 02: Recap of this week's message.

**Note:** Read through the message outline with everyone briefly. You can stop and make comments as you see fit or read straight through it. Make sure you take time to read through the main text.

**Message Title:** Our Compass and Guide

**Main Text:** Acts 16:6-10

**Supporting Texts:** John 14:26, John 15:26, John 16:14, Ephesians 1:13-14, 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

**Message Outline:**

Point 1: The Holy Spirit always points us to Jesus

- When Jesus speaks about his Spirit in John 14, 15, and 16 he says that the Holy Spirit will point to his teachings, his character, and his glory.
- When we become a Christian, the Holy Spirit becomes our compass.
- When we get off track, the Holy Spirit offers us the gift of conviction!

Point 2: The Holy Spirit shapes our path

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- If we're willing to lay down our own plans, the Holy Spirit will guide our steps—but we shouldn't expect Him to use a straight line.
- Every delay, detour, or dead-end has a purpose!

### Step 03: Lead group discussion.

**Note:** Do your best to keep the discussion going. Make sure you have read through the questions beforehand and are primed with thoughts of your own. Make everyone get specific with *how* they will apply this message in their own lives and in community—*no vague ideas allowed!*

#### Specific to this week's message:

1. Have you had an Acts 16 moment, where the Holy Spirit took you the long way around? Share with the group.
2. How can you be sure that you're hearing from the Holy Spirit?

#### General questions:

3. How did this message encourage you? How did it convict you?
4. What is your plan for applying this message to your personal/daily life?
5. What might it look like for us to live this out in community?
6. Was there anything about this message that stood out to you?