

COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week of 11/23/25

Opener (10 minutes or less)

What's the funniest or worst cooking disaster you've ever had?

DISCUSSION (50 minutes or less)

Begin your discussion time in prayer.

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 4:38-44

Questions:

- 1. What stood out to you from the text and/or sermon?
- 2. What can the poisonous gourds being added teach us about how dangers or harmful influences can enter our lives or communities without us noticing? What does that look like?
- 3. Have you ever felt called by God to do something that doesn't make sense (like adding flour to the soup to make it edible)?

- 4. Has God multiplied something in your life before?
- 5. What do the loaves teach us about generosity, even when we feel we don't have enough?
- 6. How is Elisha a foreshadow to Jesus?
- 7. What are the similarities and differences between Elisha and Jesus?

PERSONAL (30 minutes or less)

- 1. Oikos the 8 to 15 people God supernaturally and strategically places in your life. Any oikos moments you would like to share..
- 2. What is going on in your life (note prayer requests and praise reports)
- 3. Pray

2 Kings 4:38-44

- **38** Elisha returned to Gilgal and there was a famine in that region. While the company of the prophets was meeting with him, he said to his servant, "Put on the large pot and cook some stew for these prophets."
- **39** One of them went out into the fields to gather herbs and found a wild vine and picked as many of its gourds as his garment could hold. When he returned, he cut them up into the pot of stew, though no one knew what they were. **40** The stew was poured out for the men, but as they began to eat it, they cried out, "Man of God, there is death in the pot!" And they could not eat it.
- **41** Elisha said, "Get some flour." He put it into the pot and said, "Serve it to the people to eat." And there was nothing harmful in the pot.
- **42** A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said.
- 43 "How can I set this before a hundred men?" his servant asked.

But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the LORD says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" **44** Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the LORD.