

## **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**

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KINGDOM SEEDS: A PERVASIVE PRESENCE

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- 1. What stood out to you most from the message on Sunday?
- 2. What drew you to St. Albert Alliance Church originally? What are you most thankful for as you consider your experience at StAAC? What aspect of Kingdom life are you currently praying will increase at StAAC in the coming season?
- 3. a. Read Zechariah 8:1-3. Pastor Jeremy said on Sunday, "We need to know the vision that Zechariah offers is not one of divine visitation but one of divine habitation." What do you understand the difference to be between visitation and habitation? What might the differences be between a community that God 'visits' in comparison to one He 'inhabits?'
- b. Our first prayer goal for 2017 is stated this way: "To see a greater pursuit of the Presence of God as evidenced by persistent prayer, joy-filled worship, humble repentance and undeniable healing." How are you personally intentionally pursuing more of the Presence of God in your life in these days? What does your daily walk with God look like in this season?

4. Read Zechariah 8:4-8. Our second prayer goal is stated this way: "To see an increased sense of ownership for one another in relationship, leading to a greater experience of biblical community."

Who do you know in our church family currently who might be experiencing isolation and exclusion? As a group, do some listening prayer and ask Jesus, "Who would you like me to reach out to this week?" Share with the group who comes to mind and then pause again and ask Jesus, "How would you like me/us to encourage them this coming week?" Pray for each other to have the courage to follow through (and touch base next week on how you followed through).

- 5. Read Zechariah 8:9-13. Share with the group which side of the spectrum you currently find yourself on. Are you in a season of "discouragement, resignation, and scarcity" or a season of "hope, perseverance, and abundance?" Take time to pray for each other.
- 6. Zechariah says that when the Kingdom of God is breaking out, He will make us "both a symbol and a source of blessing" (v.13). Where have you seen or experienced StAAC serving as a 'symbol and source of blessing' for others? Where should we still be praying for an increased presence of blessing in our city and community (perhaps where there isn't as much evidence that we are serving as a symbol and source of blessing)? Listen in prayer together and ask Jesus "How can I personally be a source of blessing to someone this coming week?"