

## Discussion Guide | September 2, 2018

## Read together Acts 1:4-5

The book of Acts is not a description of the life of Christian superheroes, but rather a description of how the Holy Spirit empowered the early church to fulfill the mission of advancing God's kingdom in the world. In order to be effective as a church, we need to acknowledge our absolute need to be led and empowered by him.

## Living Out Our Calling | The Holy Spirit

- 1. What was the most significant take-away from this sermon?
- 2. Jesus told His disciples that it was to their advantage that He was to go away so that the Holy Spirit could be sent to empower them (John 16:27). In what ways were the disciples better off? How would your life be different if the Holy Spirit was taken away from you?
- 3. How do you differentiate between the voice of the Holy Spirit, the voice of other spirits, and your own conscience and thoughts in your spiritual life?
- 4. We are commanded in scripture to "go on being filled by the Spirit." (Eph. 5:18) How do you obey this in your life?
- 5. What is one step of obedience that you believe God is calling you to do in response to the truths expressed in this talk?

## **Sharing/Caring Questions**

- 1. What has God been showing you this past week through His word, through life situations at home, work, church, or through other means?
- 2. Are there any things in your life or family we can celebrate together spiritual or otherwise?
- 3. Are there any struggles or hardships in your life or family that we can pray for spiritual or otherwise?
- 4. Are there any other prayer requests or specific areas the group can pray for?