

# Follow the Nudge

January 7-8, 2023: **Dary Northrop**

This resource is a springboard for discussion and a catalyst for further study, based on the weekend message. Please choose from any - or all - of the parts below that are useful for your group.

**What is one thing that really stood out to you in Pastor Dary's message?**

Read **Acts 3:1-11**.

## 1. What is a **nudge**?

- How would you describe a "nudge" from the Holy Spirit?
- How can you discern between a nudge from the Holy Spirit and your own idea?

## 2. The **Holy Spirit** was poured out in Acts 2.

- Read **Joel 2:28-32, Matthew 3:11, John 14:25-27, John 20:21-22, Acts 1:4-8, Acts 2:1-22, Acts 10:34-48, Acts 19:1-6**.
- Discuss these scriptures and how they apply to us today.

## 3. Be aware of the **normal day**.

- Read **Acts 8:26-39**. How did Philip follow the prompting of the Holy Spirit?
- How can I be ready for this "nudge" that Pastor Dary talked about?
- Rhetorically, am I *actually* willing to be more involved in ways the Spirit might lead?
  - If not, what can help me change?

## 4. Engagement at the **appropriate time**...

- Read **Proverbs 3:3-7** and **James 1:5**.
- We need God's wisdom to discern between "eager-beaver me" and the Holy Spirit.

## 5. How can I personally get **involved**?

- Pastor Dary said, *"The nudge can't be planned, but it can be missed."* Discuss this.
- Share briefly about a time when you responded to a nudge from God - or missed it.
- Read **Acts 3:19-20** and **2 Corinthians 5:17-21**. Discuss what motivates us to get involved in what God is doing.

## 6. To God be the **glory**.

- Read **1 Corinthians 2:1-5**.

**Close** with this theme-related song:

- **"Fresh Wind"** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SdDdMzt\\_w2U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SdDdMzt_w2U)

If you have a prayer need, please ask a friend here to pray with you, and to support you in prayer this week.