

Discussion Guide

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Opening Activity:

Think about a time you had good news and couldn't wait to tell someone—a new baby, a big win, an answered prayer, a funny story, a deal you found, or something exciting that happened. What made you want to share it?

Read:

Acts 1:6-8

Matthew 28:18-20

Romans 10:13-15

Discussion Questions:

1. In Acts 1:8, Jesus tells His followers, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses." What stands out to you about Jesus connecting the Holy Spirit with being His witnesses?
2. Each of us has been commanded, given responsibility, given the Holy Spirit, and declared Jesus' witness. Which of those is most encouraging to you and which feels most challenging?
3. Jesus says His followers will be witnesses first in Jerusalem, then Judea and Samaria, and then to the ends of the earth. Why do you think Jesus begins with their own "hometown" before sending them outward?
4. What does it look like to be a witness for Jesus in your everyday life—not just through words, but through your character, priorities, relationships, and choices?
5. Why do you think it can feel easier to talk naturally about hobbies, kids, sports, politics, or deals than it does to talk naturally about Jesus?
6. Jesus calls His followers to be witnesses to people who are ethnically, culturally, or socially different from them. What makes that kind of witness difficult, and why is it so important to the mission of God?
7. Romans 10:14 asks, "How can they believe in Him if they have never heard about Him?" Who are the people in your life who may need to see or hear the Good News through you?
8. What would it look like for your faith to become more contagious in a humble, loving and authentic way?
9. What is one specific area of your life where God may be calling you to live more clearly, courageously, or intentionally as His witness?

Challenge for the Week:

Choose one person this week—someone nearby, different from you, or spiritually disconnected—and intentionally encourage, serve, pray for, or share part of your faith story with them.