

## Small Group Discussion Guide September 23, 2018

**Sermon Title:** 

"A Day of Wonders"

Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-11 Scripture Reading: Romans 8:5-6

**Leader:** Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting. Have someone offer a brief

prayer inviting God to speak and lead using the group's discussion.

**Getting Started:** Have you ever had an extraordinary life experience?

What was it? What made it so extraordinary?

Have you ever had an extraordinary spiritual experience?

What was it? What made it so extraordinary?

## **Discussion:**

- 1. Are there biblical stories or Bible passages you can recall that speak about the work of God's Spirit? Is the evidence of the Spirit's work immediate or delayed?
- **2.** Awareness takes time (v 1) Why does an awareness of the Holy Spirit often seem to come slowly?
- **3.** Allows us to hear differently (v 2, 6) What did the disciples hear first? The people? How do you hear the Spirit speaking to you? How do you know it is the Spirit?
- **4. Allows us to see differently** (v 3) Those in the room saw "what seemed to be tongues of fire." Absent holy flames, what helps you to see God's movement around and through you? What about seeing God at work through others?
- 5. Allows us to speak differently (v 4) The Spirit enabled the disciples to speak in other languages. The pastor shared a couple of verses about the nature of Christian speech. Why does speech matter? Are there other elements concerning Christian speech that we should consider? What verses would you share?
- **6. Reveals God's wonders** (v 11) This particular biblical experience revealed God's wonders. Do you believe God wants to also reveal his wonders through you? How does God's Spirit help you do so?
- 7. The pastor closed with Acts 1:8. What is one of the main purposes of the Holy Spirit's influence in our lives? How can you allow the Spirit more influence so your witness may increase?

**Closing:** Close by sharing prayer requests.

Pray for each another and for the needs that were shared.

Have a blessed Holy Week. GO SHARE JESUS!

