

TURN the PAGE

SESSION 11 - FROM ENDINGS TO BEGINNINGS

MESSAGE BIG IDEA

"Turn the Page" by letting every aspect of your life reflect the Jesus mission.

SCRIPTURE

Acts 1:1-11 NIV

ICE BREAKER & OPENING THOUGHT

- 1. Did anybody making a New Year's Resolutions? How good are you at making personal goals and sticking to them?
- 2. What's been your biggest take away from the Turn the Page series?

BIBLE DISCUSSION

- 3. Read Acts 1:1-11. What did you notice for the first time or what questions do any have about the text?
- 4. Pick a character (author, Jesus, the apostles, the two men dressed in white) from the passage and retell this story in your own words from their perspective.
- 5. In verse four, Jesus instructed his disciples to wait for "the gift," which is the Holy Spirit. If Jesus is the great teacher, the Holy Spirit is the "Tutor" who helps us live out the way of Jesus. In what way did the disciples experience this? How might we experience the Spirit's guidance today?

LIFE APPLICATION

- 6. As 2018 is ending and 2019 is beginning, in what ways do you need the Holy Spirit to empower you? In what ways do you need God to show up in your life?
- 7. As we wrap up this series, we may want to become more reliant on the Spirit by drawing closer to God through prayer, or by listening to the Spirit's voice as we read Scripture, or even to begin asking for the Holy Spirit to do the miraculous in our lives. How might you rely on the Holy Spirit this year?

CHALLENGE

We are inviting the whole church to join in on 21-days of Fasting and Prayer January 7 - 27, 2019. Fasting is biblical practice to draw near to God. Please see handout for different options of ways you could fast from distractions during that time or visit communitychristian.org/21days. Use this time to invite God to empower you with his Holy Spirit.