



TURN *the* PAGE

SESSION 11 - FROM ENDINGS TO BEGINNINGS

MESSAGE BIG IDEA

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

These questions are designed to get your group talking and connecting. Feel free to mix it up if you have other ice-breaker question ideas. The main thing is to get the group talking, connecting, and getting to know one another.

BIBLE DISCUSSION

Sometimes when we look at the text from a different perspective or a different translation, we can notice details we’ve never seen before, or experience the story from a new angle. Get the group thinking about the role of the Holy Spirit in the early church, and how we might realign our lives around that same reality.

LIFE APPLICATION

Use these questions to get your group thinking about the ways they’d like to see the Holy Spirit breakthrough in their lives this New Year. One statement you might keep in your mind as you have this discussion is a statement attributed to many church leaders through the years: “Pray as though everything depended on God, and act as though it depended on you.” The point of this statement is that we can never separate pray from work. Another statement you may want to have on hand is from John Wesley, “God does nothing but by prayer, and everything with it.” What steps can we take to live a deeper life of prayer?

CHALLENGE

The main thing here is to join with the whole church during the 21-days of fasting and prayer. There are a variety of options. Encourage everyone to choose a method of fasting, and encourage everyone each week to draw closer to God. Learn more at communitychristian.org/21days.