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HOLY SPIRIT PASSION CHANGES LIVES

BIG IDEA

Passion + Focus on Jesus = Powerful Witness for God

SCRIPTURE

Read Acts 2:1-37 before attending Small Group and with your group as well.

OPENER

Have you ever been in a place where they didn't speak a language you understood? How did you feel?

QUESTIONS

1. Share with your group a verse and/or thought(s) that stood out to you in Peter's sermon on Pentecost (Acts 2:14-36). What did you discover about God from these verses?
2. In Acts 2:23-24, Peter told the crowd that they were responsible for the crucifixion of Jesus, as they were the ones who accused him and handed him over to the Romans. Then in Acts 2:37, we are told many Jews were "cut to the heart" and they asked, "brothers what should we do?" These people felt guilt, shame and conviction. Have you ever had an experience like theirs when reading or hearing the Word of God? How did you react to the prompting of the Holy Spirit?
3. Have you seen the Church be in eager anticipation for the Holy Spirit to work in power? Were you caught up in that same eager anticipation? How can you live in that expectation more often? In what ways do you limit God by having too small a vision for what He can do?
4. Sometimes the Holy Spirit accomplishes important things for the Kingdom in subtle and simple ways. Share a time when you were prompted by the Holy Spirit to do a "simple" thing that God used in a powerful way.
5. What holds you back from sharing with others the work of God in your life? What is a step you can take this week to share with others what God has done for you?



TAKEAWAY

- Someone who has knowledge of God and passion for Him can be used by God to change the world!
- One thing that keeps us fervent is remembering when we were cut to the heart by God.
- God does amazing, phenomenal events so that we can have an audience of the people who need to hear the Gospel.
- The church is a potent power when we enthusiastically expect the empowerment of the Holy Spirit in our lives!

REFERENCE

Leviticus 23:15-22	Psalms 16:8-11
Joel 2:28-32	John 1:29-32; 3:8; 16:7-14
Acts 1:8	1 Corinthians 2:12-13; 12:12-14
Galatians 3:2, 14	

DIGGING DEEPER

- Write down your conversion story/testimony (what was your life before Christ, how did you come to accept Christ, how has your life changed afterwards).
 - Consider building the following verses into your story to help you later explain the Gospel to others: Rom 3:10; 3:23; 6:23a; 6:23b; 5:8; 10:9-10; 10:13; 5:1-2; 8:1
 - Practice sharing your testimony with another believer.