

4Ws Be The Church - Eat, Play, Live | Acts 1:1-14

Dgroup's Curriculum: Leader's Copy

WORSHIP

Consider reading **Psalm 144** together, taking turns reading a verse a time, or reading responsively with the leader reading a verse and the group responding with the next verse

Consider singing some of the songs on the sheets that were included in your packet if you have someone in the group that plays the guitar or can lead music and/or play the guitar.

WELCOME

Questions.

Have you ever moved away from a place where you lived for a long time? Did you have to part with someone you had come to love? What was that parting like, and what kind of things did you talk about the last time you were together?

WORD

Discussion Questions.

1. Discuss the significance and purpose of the Holy Spirit's manifestation as described in Acts 2:2-4. How is this relevant in the life of a believer today?
 - (a) **Noise like a violent rushing "wind"**

(Consider the translation of "wind" in Greek. Ruach - meaning wind, breath or spirit. Relate the usage of the word "breath" in Genesis 2:7 and the word "wind" in Acts 2:3)
 - (b) **Tongues as of Fire**

(Consider these answers: Each of the 120 believer's received the tongues as of fire representing that every believer in Christ will receive the Holy Spirit - no exceptions)
 - (b) **Speaking in tongues**

(Consider these answers: Tongues translated in Greek means language. The spiritual gift was given for the purpose of relaying the gospel to the crowd that were present)

2. Discuss the following doctrines:

- (a) **When does a person receives the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and how does He become part of the body of Christ?**

(Try to draw answers from the group. Consider these answers: This happens at the point of salvation the moment a person gives his life to Christ. The person receives the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and he is grafted into the body of Christ)

- (b) **Differentiate “Indwelling” from “Infilling” of the Holy Spirit.**

(Consider these answers: Indwelling is the process by which the Holy Spirit takes up permanent residence in a persons life at the point of salvation while Infilling is the process by which the believer is continually filled by the Spirit of Christ as a result of his yielding, submitting and surrendering to the Spirit)

- (c) **What does Infilling of the Holy Spirit does in the life of a believer?**

(Site the example given in Acts 2:4 were because of the Infilling of the Holy Spirit, the followers were empowered to speak in tongues, for the purpose of relaying the gospel to the crowd)

- (a) **How can we be filled with the Holy Spirit? What does yielding to the Spirit really mean?**

(Discuss to your members how we should continually yield to God).

3. Discuss the following application questions:

- (a) **Be The Church - EAT the word of God.**

Hebrews 5:13-14 is a very important passage that talks about spiritual food and maturity in the word. How vital is this in the life of a follower of Christ and how does this affect His personal walk with the Lord.

- (b) **Be The Church - LIVE out God’s purpose**

We are called out by God to live out His purposes for us as a church. Discuss what the Lord has been telling you to do individually and how does this help the community as a whole?

- (c) **Be The Church - PLAY our part in fulfilling the great commission**

Knowing that man is considered as the greatest barrier for the gospel of Christ to be heard and communicated, can you discuss the underlying reasons why this is so. What prevents us from fulfilling the great commission? What changes do we need to make in our own lifestyles so that we can play our part in fulfilling it.

WORK

Remind them that we've just been talking about how the first followers of Jesus went everywhere telling everyone about Jesus. This serves as an example for us and we could be part of sharing Christ with others and being a witness just like the first followers were. Help them to understand that this could easily begin by inviting the people around them to come to Life Group with you. Ask them to discuss this and then suggest that you start a list as a group of people you will begin praying for each week. We will pray for these people tonight and each night we're together until they come to Life Group, or come to Christ through some other means. Have each couple/individual share the name of one couple/person to pray for and then ask one of the other people in the group to pray for them.

Close your time together in prayer.

WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives

II. Country and the World

- Repentance and Salvation

III. Church

- That CCF Singapore Members would honor and love God and make disciples
- Core, Pastors, Leaders, and Families
- Ministries and Churches worldwide

IV. CCF Singapore Facilities

- CCF Singapore Center
- Equipments

V. Personal Concerns

- Deeper intimate relationship with God
- Righteous living
- Salvation of family and friends