



The Chapel
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Week 1: Receive Your Mission
Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

1. OPEN IN PRAYER (5 MINUTES)

- Have a group member pray, inviting the Holy Spirit to lead and fill your time together.

2. GETTING STARTED: (10 MINUTES)

- Question: Share about a time you were given a specific task or mission that was exciting, challenging, or memorable.

3. READ ACTS 1:1-11 TOGETHER (5 MINUTES)

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4. DISCUSS (30 MINUTES)

Understanding the Passage:

- What does being a witness for Christ mean to you? What challenges have you faced in sharing your faith? How can we encourage each other to share our faith with integrity and honesty, even when it feels uncomfortable?
- Why do you think Jesus emphasized a communal mission ("You will be my witnesses" in plural) rather than an individual one? How can our small group reflect the kind of community that draws others to Christ?
- The disciples were told to wait for the Holy Spirit before beginning their mission. How do you see the role of the Holy Spirit in your life today? What steps can you take to deepen your dependence on the Spirit?

Applying the Message:

- In Acts 1:8, Jesus describes the mission field as Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. What do these areas represent in your life? Who in your "Jerusalem" — those closest to you — is God calling you to share with? How might you reach your "Judea," "Samaria," and beyond?
- How can you rely on the Holy Spirit this week to help you live out this mission?

5. LIVE IT OUT: "BE MY WITNESS THIS WEEK" (10 MINUTES)

- Identify **one person or opportunity** where you can be a witness for Jesus. It could be as simple as sharing what Jesus has done in your life or offering an encouraging word to someone who needs it this week.
- Pray for God's guidance and boldness as you step out.

6. CLOSING PRAYER (5 MINUTES)

- Ask the Holy Spirit to fill each person with power, boldness, and clarity to live as a witness for Jesus.
- Pray for specific people or opportunities that group members shared.