



Lifegroup Curriculum: Week 4

Looking Back

Family Time (15-20 mins)

1. Vision:
 - Vision Statement: Explain the vision of your lifegroup. If you invited someone to share your vision piece last week, have them share this week! Invite someone in your lifegroup to share your vision piece next time.
2. Icebreaker Question:
 - Was there a time when you were headed in the wrong direction, but someone/something stopped you, and you were able to head back on course?
3. Check-Ins:
 - Life updates from the previous week(s), prayer requests, praise reports.

Looking Up

Worship (15-20 mins)

Jesus is so worthy of our worship! Let's make space in our minds and hearts to make Him our focus as we worship together, and remind ourselves of his majesty as Creator, but also as a humble servant who extends mercy to forgive our sins.

- [Such An Awesome God](#) - Maverick City Music
- [Worthy](#) - Elevation Worship

Bible Study (30 mins)

RECAP: Recap Acts 2:1-36. What's happened in Acts 2 so far?

1. What we studied last week: When the Holy Spirit fell on the day of Pentecost, the believers were filled with the Spirit and began to speak in other languages. This caught the attention of Jews from every nation who were living in Jerusalem who were hearing the believers speaking in their own languages.



2. What we read on our own: Peter explains to the crowds that they are witnessing God's spirit being poured out. He then explains how Jesus, whom "you" crucified, was raised to life by God and is now exalted to the right hand of God.

Acts 2:37-41, NIV

Background: Peter tells his audience that in order to receive the Holy Spirit, they need to repent and be baptized. Repentance was a concept Jews were familiar with. If someone did something wrong (either individually or against another person), they were instructed to repent (in Hebrew, it literally translates as "return" back to God and to others). They understood this didn't just mean to say sorry or feeling badly; instead it meant expressing regret, stopping the sin, and even providing restitution/pay back the person who was wronged.

37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." 41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Discussion Questions

Feel free to use the questions below but don't feel like you need to answer each one! Allow the Holy Spirit to guide you to the questions you should ask your group.

1. What strikes you?
2. What do you learn about Jesus/Holy Spirit/God?
3. What do you learn about people/yourself?
4. Why is repentance so important?

Reflection Questions (People may need a moment to talk to God about the following questions before answering them. We'll have time to discuss what God revealed if your group is ready to do so.)



- 1) Ask God, is there anything that's blocking me from receiving (more of) the Holy Spirit?
- 2) Is there anything I want to confess to God or others and repent for?

Looking Forward (15 mins)

Small Groups: 3-4 people of the same gender

- 3) Is there anything that's blocking you from receiving (more of) the Holy Spirit?
- 4) Is there anything you'd like to confess and repent for?
 - a) Let's remember Peter's words for each other in this process: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:38-39)
- 5) Close by praying for each other.

Midweek Reading

- Please read Acts 2:42-47 on your own, as we'll be picking up in the next part of Acts 3 together next time!