

ACTS

BLANK SLATE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

KEY SCRIPTURES. Choose a person to read the following scriptures.

Read Acts 1:1-11

START THINKING. Ask this question to get your LifeGroup thinking.

- What was the most surprising detail about the Book of Acts that you heard during Pastor Matt's sermon?
- When you prepare to go on a trip, what preparations do you make in advance? Why are those preparations necessary?

START TALKING. Ask these questions to get your LifeGroup talking.

Leaders: Look at the questions below and pick 5 or 6 to really focus on.

- Read Acts 1:1-11. What do you find to be the most important about this passage? Why?
- How long did Jesus appear to his apostles according to Acts 1:3?
- When the Bible uses "40 days" you might want to stop and ask the question, "What is God about to do?" Look at the following Scriptures and ask the question, "What is God up to?"
 - a. Genesis 7:4
 - b. Exodus 24:18 & 31:18
 - c. Numbers 13:1, 25; Numbers 14:32-34

d. Luke 4:2

e. Acts 1:3

- Look back at Acts 1:3-5. Read Luke 24:45-49. Make a list of those things which Jesus did and told his followers after his resurrection.
- What instructions and insights did Jesus give his followers concerning the Holy Spirit?
- What other recorded activities occurred between Jesus' resurrection and his ascension?
 - a. What "convincing proofs that he was alive" (1:3) can you find in John 20:19-29 and 21:1-14?
 - b. Who did Jesus appear to in 1 Corinthians 15:4-8?
 - c. Which of these convincing proofs do you think you would have believed had you been there? Why?
 - d. What would you do to convince a friend about the resurrection?

START SHARING. Ask this question to get your LifeGroup sharing.

- What was the apostles' view of what the kingdom of God would look like (Acts 1:6)?
- Jesus clarifies that the kingdom is not just about physical Israel. To what extent must the kingdom be extended (Acts 1:8)?
- Has there been a time in your own life where you were looking for something that you thought was important and Jesus gave you an answer that changed your perspective? How did that make you feel? Discuss.
- If you were one of the apostles, how would you have felt about Jesus leaving?

START PRAYING.

Close in prayer.