

The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Community Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons.

CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- We're celebrating Mothers Day this week. As a group, take a few minutes to talk about moms.
 - What are some special memories you have of your mother or a woman who was like a mom to you?
 - If you're a mom, what are some of the blessings and burdens that come along with your role?

APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- **Remember** what you talked about last time. Is there anything you need to **follow up** on this week?
- **Review** your Sermon Notes together. What is **one thing** that sticks out to you about what you learned?
- **Read** this week's passage together. In his message, **Pastor Pat shared three motivations to reach your world for Jesus.**

Three Motivations To Reach Your World:

1. **Proof of His Resurrection (Acts 1:1-3)**

- The word, "proofs" in vs. 3 refers to the strongest kind of evidence possible. *Christ's resurrection is an infallible truth.* Do you agree with that statement?
- Read John 14:19 together. How does Jesus's resurrection give you life? Imagine for a moment that the resurrection did not happen - how would your life be different?
- Wes Van Fleet says, "Some of us need to repent for living like the resurrection isn't true." Think carefully - are you living as if the resurrection didn't happen?

2. **Promise of His Holy Spirit (Acts 1:4-5)**

- Jesus told His followers that they were about to be baptized by the Holy Spirit. What do you think the disciples were thinking when they heard Jesus say that?
- The coming of the Holy Spirit would change the lives of the disciples, just like the Holy Spirit has changed the lives of many at Saylorville. Look around your Community Group. How have you seen God change men or women in your group?
- Unfortunately, it's not easy to see evidence of salvation in the lives of some Christians. Be honest - what are some ways that you showed evidence of your faith in the last two or three days?

3. **Power for Our Mission (Acts 1:6-8)**

- One of our Saylorville Core Values is *Mission: We live on the move.* As a church, we say that we're all about the mission of God. Be honest - what are you all about?
- Someone has said that the reason why more Christians don't share their faith is because of fear. What do you think Christ-followers are afraid of when it comes to being witnesses for Him?
- How might the power of the Holy Spirit help alleviate your fear to live on mission this week?

Christian, what would change in your life if the Holy Spirit were to be suddenly removed?

PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Pray that God would convince and convict you to live in light of the proof, the promise and the power of the Holy Spirit this week.

