

SCC SMALL GROUP
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Authentic Discipleship
Acts 1:7-8 & 2:1-4

Getting Started:

- A. In school, were foreign languages easy or hard for you? Why?
- B. What is the largest group you have spoken to? How did you feel?

Searching the Scriptures:

- A. Given that Pentecost was quite the harvest festival (Deuteronomy 16:9-10), why does God choose this day to give the Holy Spirit?
 - If you had been in that, what would you have seen, heard, felt?
- B. Using a Bible map and a contemporary map, from how far away are these pilgrims in verses 9-11?
 - What attracts this crowd to the disciples?
- C. Looking at 1:8, how is that promise already beginning to be fulfilled here?
- D. If you were one of the crowd, would you respond more like those in verse 12, or those in verse 13? Why?
- E. When it comes to "getting plugged in" to the Holy Spirit what do the following verse declare and detail
 - Romans 5:8
 - John 1:12

F. When it comes to "what causes a believer to become unplugged from the Holy Spirit. What does these verses declare and detail:

- 2 Thessalonians 3:6
- James 4:1
- Romans 8:9

G. Respond the following quote:

"At SCC we believe that the only way possible to live the Christian life is by God's power within us. So, we seek to practice daily dependence on God's Spirit to enable us to do what is right."

- Now read Philippians 2:13 & Ephesians 5:18

H. To understand "the message we share" read Acts 2:22-40. Make a list of the different truths of the Salvation Narrative.

Application of the Scriptures:

- A. When have you experienced an empowering from God to witness about Christ?
- B. What do you think was God's part and Jesus' follower's part in this event?
- C. What is one thing you can do (should do) to be better prepared to "share your faith in Jesus Christ" with someone?