

Self-Study & Care Group Guide

Based on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at The Father's House

Introduction

God's power is readily available in the lives of believers. Your needs and the needs of others present continual opportunities for power to be unleashed. Are you distracted? Are you living in disbelief? God wants to touch you in a supernatural way. This curriculum will encourage you to open your eyes to the God moments in front of you.

Ice Breaker

Looking back on your experience of the Sunday Service and the notes from the teaching, was there something general or specific (a point, verse, or comment) that caught your attention, made you excited, challenged you, or raised a question?

Part 1

A God moment is like a window of opportunity. It happens when God steers you into an experience so that you can serve him, help someone else, or maybe be blessed yourself. Has this ever happened to you?

Part 2

Read Acts 3:1-5. Imagine Peter and John rushing toward the temple, doing their best not to be late for prayer. Now imagine them immediately stopping to give their full attention to a man in need.

The Christian author Charles Hummel once said: *your greatest danger is letting the urgent things crowd out the important things.* How do you distinguish between what is urgent and what is important?

What is important to you may not be important to God. What do you do to ensure you're aligned with what God sees as important?

Part 3

Read Acts 3:6-8. It was said on Sunday: *don't give a little when you can give a lot.* How is what God gives, through salvation and through the empowerment of His Spirit, significantly more than what the world gives?

When someone is especially good at something we say: *that person is anointed!* It's a recognition of God's Spirit at work in him or her. Is there an area where you're anointed? How is God calling you to embrace your anointing and to give more?

Part 4

A *beggar* is one who hangs his head in defeat, even while desperately looking for help. The beggar in today's story called out without looking up or making eye contact. A *believer* is one who looks up, namely to God as a source of hope and healing.

Is there an area where you're feeling defeated? It's okay to be honest about that. How is calling you to look up and to remain faith-filled?

Care Group Application.

Take time to speak life and to pray for those in your group who are feeling defeated. God wants use those who are strong to lift up those feel weak. Could it be that God wants to perform a miracle in your group today? Believe him to do exactly that!