

## **Icebreaker:**

Tell everyone about one of your not well known talents.

## **Announcements:**

If you haven't already, take time to go over the Creating a Healthy LifeGroup guidelines

## **Prayer Time:**

Pray for our building project as demolition begins soon in our east wing.

## **Study Questions:**

God has gifted you to make a difference in someone's life. What are some of the things that prevent us from making an impact? How does knowing our greater purpose for living help us?

Read John 13:31–33. How do you think the disciples responded to Jesus saying He was leaving them?

Read John 16:5–16; 25–27. Why was it good that Jesus went away? What does the Holy Spirit do for us and in us?

What is the greatest miracle you've ever seen? Why are there so many more examples of miraculously changed lives today than outright miraculous eventspeople walking on water- hurricanes being diverted etc. God still does miracles and mighty works to advance His mission but what is the primary way God reaches people today?

Why did the Pharisees- who witnessed many miracles- keep asking for more signs and wonderscf. Mark 8:11-13. How were miracles limited in their effectiveness? What is even more impactful than signs and wonders?

How is the spread of the Gospel a miracle- cf. Acts 1:7-8 Acts 2:22-25, 36-41... How is a changed life a miracle- cf. I Thessalonians 1:4-8... How is our unity as a church a miracle- cf. John 13:33; Acts 2:42-47; Philippians 1:27-28

What are the consequences of a lack of love, concern, and service to one another in the church? Cf John 13:33. Why is protecting the unity of the church critical to advancing the mission of the church?

What role does service and using our gifts play in loving others? Cf. 1 Corinthians 12:1-7. Why does God care so much about the common good?

Conversational Prayer: Dear God help me...