GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



Peter Heals Aeneas and Raises Dorcas

Getting to know each other:

What is a food someone introduced you to that you can't live without now?

Read Acts 9:32-42

- 1. Name something that stands out right away about this passage.
- 2. Making Observations: How do things appear to be going for Peter in his ministry?
- 3. Compare this "snapshot" of Peter's life with an earlier one such as when he attempted to walk on the water with Jesus (Matthew 14:29-31). What do you noticed has changed in him? Listen for the voice of the Holy Spirit here and ask: "what does God want to change in me?"
- 4. According to this passage, what was the effect of the two miracles Peter prayed for? How do they contribute to the mission Jesus gave the apostles at the beggning of Acts?
- 5. **Exploring Where We Are in Our Faith**: Imagine if you were Peter and that the two situations he found himself in happened to you today. How would you pray?
- 6a. **Putting The Message Into Practice:** In the "Talking Myself Into Seeing Miracles" exercise in this week's message, Pastor Silverio gave three points to think about. (1) God's already proven He is powerful when He gave us the greatest gift of all in salvation. (2) God's infinite power is already visible all around us. (3) God is still advancing His kingdom here on earth. Which one of these resonates with you most and why? 6b, Can you add to this list?

Read Matthew 26:36-39

- 7. Here we find that the answer to Jesus' request in the midst of his most painful moment here on earth was a "no." How does Jesus respond to the "no." What is the Holy Spirit teaching us here?
- 8. In the message Pastor Silverio said, "if we are going to grow in becoming more familiar with the miraculous power of God we must accept the invitation to grow in faith and in surrender to God." In which area is the Holy Spirit showing you the opportunity to grow? What is a next step you can start taking?

Next Steps 2023

- What are some of your next steps in faith for 2023? Share any updates with your group.
- When you complete your next step using the campus QR code below.

Prayer

- Share praises and prayer requests with one another.
- Guided prayer: God, I want to see your power and glory. Help me see how you are moving all around me. Help me to surrender my will for yours. I place my trust only in you. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit I pray. Amen.





