

Digging Deeper



These questions are designed for use in our Life Groups, but they also can be used in personal and family devotions.

Series: Lights, Camera, ACTS-ion
Sermon: What Now?
Scripture: Acts 1:12-26

Getting Started

Have you ever reached a point in life where you really didn't know what step to take next (after the birth of a child, or the death of a loved one, for example)? How did you handle it? What did you do?

Bible Study Questions

1. Put yourself in the disciples' shoes following Jesus' ascension. How do you suppose they felt (consider the Great Commission He had given them to fulfill; see Luke 24:50-53 also)?
2. What are some ways we can show "devotion to the Body", as the disciples did in the early church (v. 13)?
3. We are not told specifically what the disciples prayed for in v. 14, but under the circumstances, what do you suppose they might have prayed for?
4. What comfort do you think the disciples' derived from their ironclad confidence in the inspiration of the Scriptures (vv. 15-21)? Again, consider all they had experienced in the previous 60 days, including the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Jesus.
5. Why was it so important that the disciples' prayed and sought God's will before selecting a replacement for Judas (vv. 23-26)?
 - What lesson is there for us in this?

Apply It

This 10 day period following Jesus' ascension was a not a period of passivity. It was a period of preparation.

--Pastor Paul in Sunday's message

As you consider the activity of the disciples as they waited for the Spirit to come on the church, what lessons on patience and "waiting on God" do you learn? Write them down.