

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Witnesses Initiative Week 1

Series: *Witnesses*

"Called as Witnesses"

MAY 21, 2023

READ: Acts 1:6-11.

1. What does it mean to be a witness for Christ in the world?
2. What is the significance of the promise of the Holy Spirit for those who are called to be Christ's witnesses in the world?
3. Who are the people who are called to be His witnesses, and how do you know?
4. What keeps us from being witnesses of Christ? What sets us free to be His witnesses?
5. Where are we called to be His witnesses?
6. How does the calling as Christ's witnesses impact the way you see your time, talent, and treasure?



“But you will receive power,
when the Holy Spirit comes upon you,
and you will be my witnesses in
Jerusalem and in all Judea,
and Samaria, and to
the end of the earth.”

ACTS 1:8

WHAT IS THE WITNESSES INITIATIVE?

The *Witnesses Initiative* is a vision initiative from Acts 1:8. Through this initiative, we are prayerfully making steps to call an Assistant Pastor of Equipping, whose role will be to equip the saints to be His witnesses where we are and where we have been sent. We are asking everyone at Calvary to prayerfully consider how the Lord is calling you to use your time, talent and treasure, as we take these steps together.

WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO OVER THE NEXT 5 SUNDAYS?

1. WORSHIP

Join us over the next 5 Sundays, as we hear Christ's call on His church to be His witnesses where we are and where we have been sent.

- May 21: *Called as Witnesses* - Acts 1:6-11
- May 28: *Empowered as Witnesses* - Acts 2:1-13
- June 4: *Multiplying Witnesses* - Acts 2:37-41
- June 11: *Unified Witnesses* - Acts 2:42-47
- June 18: *Generous Witnesses* - Acts 4:32-37

2. GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Meet with your Life Group or join one during this series to consider together what it means that we are corporately called as Christ's witnesses in Raleigh and wherever we are sent. Life Group questions will be provided in the *Witnesses* worship guide each week. Go to calvarypca.org/life-groups and contact us to join this week!

3. PRAY

Next week, look for a bookmark in your *Witnesses Initiative* packet with the following prayer points that you can begin to lay before the Lord this week in personal worship, with family and friends, and with your Life Group.

Through the *Witnesses Initiative*, pray that Calvary would be:

- Captivated by the glory of Jesus, as we are called as His witnesses.
- Empowered by the Holy Spirit to be witnesses of Jesus where we are and where we have been sent.
- Equipped as multiplying witnesses of the Gospel in this generation and the next.
- Unified as a congregation, sent as witnesses in this community.
- Generous as witnesses of Jesus, asking Him how He would have us give of our time, talent and treasure.

SERMON NOTES

Message: *Called as Witnesses*

Scripture Reference: *Acts 1:6-11*

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