



LUKE CHAPTER 9 (FACILITATOR)

Discussion Starter

- What is one of the most inspiring things that you have ever witnessed?
- **Opening Prayer**
 - Ask if someone wants to volunteer before leading the prayer.

Breaking it Down

- All questions should be utilized as appropriate based upon group dynamics to facilitate both understanding and discussion. Don't feel tied to the questions and don't feel like you must get through every question. Follow the Spirit's lead! All questions are a matter of perspective in some way BUT there are specific questions that this is truer of, and these questions have been indicated to be perspective/opinion questions.
- Please use your own style, voice, and approach in preparing for leading your life group. Most importantly, take a few minutes to pray over the time together with your group and pray over each group member by name.

Tell the Story

- **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ONE PERSON WHO STORIES (SUMMARIZES THE CHAPTER) BEFORE THE GROUP READS THE CHAPTER TOGETHER.**

Read the Story (Luke 9:1-62)

Read out loud as a group, 3-5 verses per person. Let everyone know they can opt out if they would like.

Luke 9:1-17

- Notice that when Jesus sends out His disciples to proclaim the kingdom of God in verses 1-6, the kingdom is not marked by prestige and status but by urgency, truth, and simplicity. Why is this important to recognize?
 - God's kingdom was and is about drawing people close to Himself and transforming those people and the world. It has never been about making much of power or status but always about making much of a great God. The kingdom of God operates on much different principles than the world.

- Why do you think Jesus withdrew with His disciples when they told Him all that they had done in verse 10?
 - Jesus understood the importance of rest and recharging with the Father. This rest and recharging with the Father were the fuel and driving force behind what the disciples were able to do.
 - In what ways do you currently rest and recharge with God? How does this help you to be all that He has designed you to be for yourself and those around you?
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Luke 9:18-36

- Why do you think Jesus asked His disciples who the crowds said that He was?
 - This was a question designed to point the disciples to wrestle within themselves about their own thoughts and beliefs about Jesus?
 - What does your life say about what you believe about Jesus?
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- In verses 21-22, put yourself in the place of the disciples. What Jesus says was going to happen to Him would have been shocking and jarring. Why?
 - Not only was Jesus the disciple's teacher and rabbi, but they also still viewed Him as the Messiah who was going to overthrow the Roman government. What Jesus was saying completely contradicted their view of Him in many ways.
 - What are some ways that your views about God need to be corrected by Him? How are you staying open to whatever God wants to do in and through you?
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Luke 9:37-62

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- The disciples missed the basic of prayer and seemingly after they had this mountaintop experience.
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