

Discovery Questions – Tongues and Prophecy

1 Corinthians 14:1-20

Instructions: A life group is a spiritual family. It is a time of mutual discussion, invitation, and growth together alongside the Holy Spirit. It's good to begin with prayer and 1-2 ice breaker questions to prime the pump and get to know one another. Then, after reading the Scriptures, <u>pick the questions that are of most interest to your group</u>. Make sure to conclude with a couple of application questions to live out our mission together. Finish with some time to care for one another and pray together.

Opening Question (pick 1-2 questions)

- 1. What is your experience with the gift of "Tongues" or "Prophecy"?
- 2. In what ways have you experienced the power and presence of God in your life?
- 3. Is there a challenge you are facing right now?
- 4. What is one thought or idea from Sunday's message that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?

Read 1 Corinthians 1 Corinthians 14:1-20

- 1. Have someone summarize this passage in their own words.
- 2. What stands out in this passage?
- 3. What issue/problem was Paul addressing in the Corinthian churches?
- 4. For Paul, what is the difference between prophecy and tongues? Why is prophecy preferred when the church gathers?
- 5. Why is it so important that the gifts be used to edify the church-family and not just individuals?
- 6. What do you learn about God in this passage?
- 7. What do you learn about people in this passage?

Application

- 1. The Corinthians were coming to the weekly gathering unprepared. They were sharing and participating without previously having spent time with Jesus. How prepared are you when you come to the Sunday gathering? Have you spent time with the Lord? Does anything need to change?
- 2. How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days? (Have each person create an 'I Will...' statement)
- 3. How can you bless someone else as a result of this Scripture and discussion?
- 4. How can our group bless someone in response to this Scripture and discussion?
- 5. Did you take the gift assessment Don offered a few weeks ago (GiftPassionStory.com)? Will you this week?

Pray Together