



## A Guide for Spiritual Formation

Theme of the month:	The Church's Mission
Text for the Week:	Acts 3:11-4:22
Message for the Week:	"The Rest of the Story"
Theme for the Week:	Salvation is found only in Jesus

## Week 12

### Opening:

What is one low (a bad thing) and one high (a good thing) that happened to you this past week? Write them down and take turns sharing them with the others in your group.

Where have you seen the work of the Holy Spirit in your life this past week?

When was the last time that God surprised you? Why did this surprise you?

### Preparation:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with God to center and prepare yourself for your time with God today.

### Read:

Read [Acts 3:11-4:22](#) out loud.

What words, phrases, or ideas grabbed your attention and heart in these verses?

Write them down below and/or share them those who are with you.

## **Respond / Reflect:**

How do we react when someone around us changes? How have you changed throughout your life?

Where is salvation found?

What is your “elevator pitch” for sharing how Jesus has saved your life / how salvation is found in Jesus and no one else?

Do you share the heart of God for lost people?

What does repentance mean to you? How do you practice repentance in your life?

How does the power of the gospel challenge the religious, political, and economic powers of our day?

## **“Try It!”**

Identify some of the different places you will be going during this week.

How could you make your trip to these different places (grocery store, school, restaurant, barber / salon, work, church, friend’s house, etc.) a missionary journey?

## **Prayer:**

Spend time in prayer regarding the things God revealed and that you discerned in your time with God today.

Also, spend time in prayer with/for the other people who are with you...pray these two prayers.

Lord,

We pray for an outpouring of your Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit.

We pray that the Spirit will reveal Christ to us. Come, Holy Spirit.

We pray that the Spirit will shape us in the character of Christ. Come, Holy Spirit.

We pray that the Spirit will equip us for the mission of Christ. Come, Holy Spirit.

We pray that the Spirit will form us by the early church’s rule of life; devotion to the Apostle’s Teaching, to the fellowship, the breaking of bread, and prayer. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

## **Missional Practice for the Month:**

Use the prayer above each day to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit for those living on your block in your neighborhood, for those living in your condo or apartment building and/or your co-workers. Sometime during the month, when prompted by the Spirit, try and break bread (eat or drink) with one or two of them to get to know them better.