

Week of April 25th 2021 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups
Ascension | Luke 24:50-53, Acts 1:1-11

Overview

Jesus is taken up to heaven, where he sits on the right hand of God. Before his ascension, Jesus promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, who will guide and empower the believers to accomplish God's mission in the nations.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you like to travel?

Ohana Time! (this is an opportunity to be creative and to try out new things as an Ohana Group! Feel free to include children): Pray for a different nation every day this week!

BIBLE: Read Acts 1:1-11

1. How many days did Jesus stay with the disciples before his ascension into heaven?
2. In light of previous passages studied, what kind of "convincing proofs" did Jesus present to the disciples regarding his resurrection? Are you convinced?
3. Why does Jesus tell the disciples not to leave Jerusalem in verse 4? Who are they to expect?
4. What question do the apostles ask Jesus in verse 6? How does Jesus respond?
5. In verse 8, how will the gospel spread? Do you see any geographic or ethnic patterns in Jesus' command?
6. In verse 8, once the Holy Spirit comes upon the apostles, what can they expect? How is the Holy Spirit empowering you today?
7. Where does Jesus ascend in verse 9? Why is this significant today?

APPLICATION

1. As Jesus commanded the apostles to be his witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth, Jesus commands believers filled and empowered by the Holy Spirit to go forth and proclaim the good news. On a piece of paper, write down individuals who are in "your" Jerusalem (family, friends, co-workers), "your" Judea and Samaria (community), and ends of the earth (nations and peoples).
2. How can you Ohana Group engage in "missions" during Missions Month in May? Discern God's leading and direction in prayer.

PRAYER

1. Thank God that He has filled you with the Spirit, and that the Spirit now empowers and guides you to fulfill His mission in the world.
2. Pray for open hearts and minds, to be responsive to the Spirit's leading and direction.
3. Give honor and praise to the Lord Jesus, who is enthroned in the heavenly realms over all creation, with all authority, power, and glory.

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