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WEEK 1 LEADER GUIDE: ACTS 1 - 2:13

Don't worry – we'll keep this short! Each week we'll have a prayer suggestion to close your group and then a couple of quick notes for you to consider. We're so excited for your first week! Here we go:

PRAYER SUGGESTION:

It's very common for groups to end with a brief and uninspiring time of prayer. Someone shares about their cousin's knee injury, another person shares a prayer request about a work situation, then one person closes in prayer. It's okay if this is your group! But here's an idea to perhaps make your prayer more meaningful for your group.

In the beginning of Acts, we read of the disciples waiting on God and trying to remain faithful in the midst of the unknown. You can pray that God would find your group faithful in the midst of the unknown as well. Consider giving your members a small slip of paper and asking them to take a moment to write down something they are waiting on God for. If the group is comfortable enough with each other, ask members to pass their slip to the left and have their neighbor pray for them. Or, if your group is new and might not be ready for this, you can give some time for people to pray silently over their own slips of paper and then close by praying for the group. We suggest that you leave enough silence to have time to hear from God too (at least 2-3 minutes).

AN INVITATION:

Please invite your group to join us for the Upper Zoom even if you can't make it. We believe it will be a beautiful time for them to experience prayer with the larger church body. They don't have to go every single morning - they can hop on the Zoom call as they are available. And reassure them, they won't be randomly called on to pray out loud. Perhaps consider challenging them to attend one morning to start with and if they enjoy it, they can attend more!

Upper Zoom will run from Sep 28 – Oct 9 (excluding weekends) from 7:00 – 7:30 am. The zoom link can be found on our website. It's here as well: <https://northway-org.zoom.us/j/81525204921>

That's it for this week! As always, if any questions come up or you need any assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to your Discipleship Director. We are praying for you and your group members as you begin this study!