



Leader's Guide

Week of March 5

Leaders,

How are your groups going? We've been at it for over a month now. I encourage you during this time to think of ways to keep things fresh! Do something this week or next week that is out of the ordinary!

-Cameron Tate

The Big Idea

Peter boldly proclaimed from the Scriptures that all can be saved through Christ if they repent and believe!

Getting Started

1. What is the best sermon you've ever heard? What effect did it have on your thoughts, emotions, and behaviors?

***Leader's Note:** You could spend an insane amount of time on this question, and a healthy amount of time is good. As a leader, try to get at the real reason that sermon had such a big impact on your group members. Was it the personality of the preacher? The passage? The timing? Don't just settle for what was good but *why* it was good?

2. Were you evangelized to? Have you ever evangelized to someone else? How were those experiences?
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Digging In

1. Read **Acts 2:14-15**. Note Peter's boldness. What would it look like for you to share the Gospel with boldness in the face of mockery?
2. Read **Acts 2:16-21**. What is Peter doing here?
***Leader's Note:** Peter takes their accusations and refutes them with the Scriptures. In Peter's 'sermon' he wastes, essentially, no time in pointing

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to the Word of God. He's using familiar words and showing their contemporary application.

3. Read **Acts 2:22-36**. Spend some time dissecting what Peter does in this movement of his sermon. There are many elements, but what is his one, central theme?
***Leader's Note:** For Peter, the central message is that Jesus was crucified and resurrected. Peter especially emphasizes that Jesus is alive!
4. What are God the Father, God the Holy Spirit, and God the Son doing in Peter's sermon?
5. Finally, read **Acts 2:37-41**. What is the response of the people? Remember what they were doing in **verses 14-15**? How is that possible?
***Leader's Note:** Clearly, such radical life change is only possible through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Looking Around

1. Think of your closest lost friend(s). If you could say anything to them – what would it be?
2. We see repentance and baptism as a natural response to an encounter with the Gospel. Do you

need to repent of anything? Do you need to be baptized?

***Leader's Note:** If anyone DOES want to be baptized? LET ME KNOW! Email: ctate@sgc.org.

3. As we approach Easter (on April 16), how can you remember and proclaim Christ's death and resurrection in your life this week?

Pray

Praise God for what he has done through Jesus, our Lord and Christ.