



## Leader's Guide

Week of September 10

### Leader Check-In

Hey Leaders!

I know for many of you this is the first week, so I'll say the same thing I did last week:

This is the exciting start of our Life Group season! I'm happy to be writing these Life Group Guides for you again and hope that they are a blessing to you and your groups. As always, I welcome feedback on the Life Group Guides and am open to making these Life Groups better or more accessible to you! God bless you and your groups as you begin your seasons together.

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## The Big Idea

Jesus' church expands into movement when we're (1) intentional about disciple-making, when we (2) fully proclaim Jesus, when we (3) seek the filling of the Spirit, when we (4) keep ministering through hardship, and when we (5) live whole-heartedly for Jesus.

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## Getting Started

1. Have you ever been a part of a "movement?" What was it like?
  2. In what ways is Southern Gables a movement? In what ways is it not?  
**\*Leader's Note:** Each of the five questions in the "Digging In" section below refers to one way the church in Acts became like a movement. There are five principles, which are all above in "The Big Idea." As you go through with your group, refer back to those five items and try to flesh out how each would look today.
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## Digging In

1. **Read Acts 18:22-23.** What does Paul's ministry look like here?

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**\*Leader's Note:** Paul is travelling around making new disciples and strengthening existing disciples. He's highly intentional and has things planned out, yet he's focused on people.

2. **Read Acts 18:24-28.** What did Priscilla and Aquila explain to Apollos? How did they explain it? What were the results?
  3. **Read Acts 19:1-7.** From this text, what is the essential key to fruitful ministry, no matter what your "disciple-making strategy" is?  
**\*Leader's Note:** The Holy Spirit!!!
  4. **Read Acts 19:8-10.** What do we see about Paul's character from this text?  
**\*Leader's Note:** Paul was perseverant. He's incredibly hard-working, consistent, and persistent.
  5. **Read Acts 19:11-20.** What mistake were these Jewish exorcists making?  
**\*Leader's Note:** They were mixing Jesus with other false beliefs (magic). Those don't go together – there is no such thing as Jesus+. It's either Jesus or no Jesus.
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## Looking Around

1. How can Southern Gables emulate some of what the early movement in Acts was like?
2. What can you do to help Southern Gables be more like a movement?

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## Pray

Pray that the Lord would instruct your Life Group, and Southern Gables Church, in these disciple-making principles so that the movement can spread and many enter the Kingdom of God!