



**Dig Deeper @Home – “Living in Faithful Community”  
Complement to sermon on 10/28/2018 – “The Required Ingredient”**

**ICE BREAKER – ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered**

1. What’s your favorite kind of pie?
2. Who’s your favorite music group/band/solo artist?

**MEMORIZE – Ephesians 4: 15-16**

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every point with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

**READ – Read Acts 2**

**Questions to ponder/discuss:**

1. What does this passage reveal about God? About humanity?
2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?
3. In Acts 2:1, Luke identifies that the disciples are gathered together in one place on the day of Pentecost.
  - a. What is Pentecost? (see Leviticus 23: 15-21)
  - b. What significance did it have to the Jewish people?
  - c. What happens on this Pentecost?
  - d. What significance does this have for Christians?
4. What happens to the disciples as a result of being filled with the Holy Spirit?
  - a. What were they doing before they were filled with the Holy Spirit?
  - b. What were they doing after they were filled with the Holy Spirit?
  - c. What difference has the Holy Spirit made in your life? What difference does He make in your life each day?
5. What is surprising about Peter’s “sermon” to the people in v14-36?

Summarize Acts 2 in your own words:

## **Experiential: Missing Ingredients**

This activity involves baking cookies. Find your favorite cookie recipe and gather all the necessary ingredients. You will need two mixing bowls. In one, add all the ingredients except sugar. In the other bowl, add all the ingredients including sugar. Form and bake both bowls of cookies but be sure to remember which have sugar and which don't. After both have been baked, take time to compare and contrast the cookies. They probably look the same, they most likely smell the same. Then give each person one of each cookie. Do they taste the same? How does this relate to what we learned about from Acts 2? (hint: the disciples probably looked the same before and after the Holy Spirit filled them meaning they didn't get taller, bigger or anything like that...but they did change ... they were different ... and everybody could tell). Take time to talk about what this looks like in your own lives.

## **Testimony Time?**

What difference has the Holy Spirit made in your life?

**SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)**

**Cry for You** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kF-G3kLp--A>

A bonus song this week from Lecrae. It's a call to stop hiding with our thorns.

**Proof of your Love** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8plqE-Mxx1g>

A good song from King and Country compelling us to live lives that reflect the love of Christ.

**Praise Him! Praise Him! – Mennonite Hymnal #530**

## **PRAY**

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

**Sending prayer based on the lesson:**

Creator God, thank you for new life in Christ and the community that you have placed me in. Help me this week to foster relationships that are genuine and honest, full of grace and truth. As we do, let us build places of belonging and healing. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.