

CELL GROUP DISCUSSION STARTERS

OPENING QUESTION

1. Where have you seen the power of God displayed through a believer or the church?

CONTENT EXPLANATION

Read [Luke 9:1-9](#)

2. How does chapter 8 prepare the disciples for this mission?
3. Where does the power and authority for ministry come from?
 - a. How do we display this kind of dependence?
 - b. Do we live as though we believe that Jesus has given us power?
 - c. How do you live in that way without taking credit for what the Holy Spirit does through you?
4. An aside: why is it dangerous to make narrative normative? Cf. Luke 22:36
5. What is the kingdom of God? Why is the kingdom a mystery?
6. How should gospel ministry be Christ centred?
7. What promise is not made, as illustrated by verse 4? How would these experiences prepare them for their future ministry?
8. Why do you think some people still rejected the disciples when they were performing amazing miracles? What is the implication of this for us today?

Read [Luke 9:10-17](#)

9. Why do the disciples doubt (where is their focus)? What should they have learnt from their preaching/miracle tour?
10. How does Jesus show dependence on the Father?
11. What do the disciples learn through this miracle? What are the implications for us?

CONTENT APPLICATION

12. What would it look like for us as a Cell Group to go into our neighbourhood in this fashion?
13. What apparently impossible thing is God calling you (or our church) to do? How do you know this is of God? How will you respond?