

# Discipleship Groups

## Week 3

Week 3 is an invitation to do a little imagining. I have created a video to help your group walk through this exercise. After the video, you will help the group members share with each other what they imagined, as well as how it applies to their own lives. As usual, the video can be downloaded, or you may have the group view it from the web site.

As your people gather, welcome them, and help them to greet one another.

When it's time to begin, welcome them as a group, and then distribute to them blank pieces of paper and pens. Some people may have and prefer to use their own, which is fine. It will be important, though, for each person to have something to write with and something to write on while watching this week's video.

Once everyone is equipped, play the video. You can run it straight through -- I have built in pauses for the folks to do their imagining and writing. When the video is finished, you may begin to lead the group through the following discussion.

These questions are for group discussion -- they are not for around-the-circle sharing where each person answers every question. Let each question become its own open-ended conversation. You need not use all of the questions or use them in this order. You may guide the discussion according to your judgment, according to the clock, and according to your sense of the group.

- What did you think or learn about the disciples' experience that you didn't know before you started to imagine what they experienced?
- Of the six different sections (mornings, meals, crowds, disciples, one-on-one, evenings), which was your favorite to imagine? Why?
- Share some of what you wrote down in your favorite section.
- As you have imagined the disciples' experience, do you wish that you had been among the disciples who got to live with Jesus? Why or why not?
- Do you think it was easier or harder for them to live with Jesus than it is for you? How?

Finally, for around-the-circle individual sharing, invite the folks to answer these two questions: In what area of life your life will you do a better job of living with Jesus than you have? How?

Close your time with a brief prayer on behalf of the whole group.

Before everyone is dismissed, remind the group members about your next meeting time and place, as well as encouraging them to pray for one another each day between now and then.

