



**Care Group Discussion Guide**  
**Why We Pray in Tongues Part 1**  
**April 30, 2023**

**HOSPITALITY**

Take time to welcome each other to group and share about your week.

**ICE BREAKER**

Discuss the question: What did God speak to you on Sunday from Pastor's message on speaking in tongues?

**BIBLE DISCUSSION**

1. Read Acts 2:1-21; Isaiah 28:11-12; 44:3; Ephesians 5:18
  
2. Pastor Zach taught on the Biblical reasons for praying in tongues. Take time to review each of these and discuss the Biblical evidence and how these can be applied in your personal life:
  - a. Restoration of Divine Communication
    - i. 1 Corinthians 14:2, 14-15
    - ii. Isaiah 55:8
  - b. Unity & Fellowship
    - i. Jude 1:20-21
    - ii. Comparison between the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11) and the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2)
    - iii. Psalm 133
  - c. Builds Yourself up in Your Holy Faith
    - i. Jude 1:20
    - ii. Praying until the Glory comes
  - d. Brings Edification
    - i. 1 Corinthians 14:4
    - ii. Edify – brick by brick builds and assimilates God's Word into our lives
  - e. Brings Victory over our Weaknesses
    - i. Romans 8:26-28
    - ii. Helps – Sunantilambanomai
  - f. We Pray God's Will for Ourselves
    - i. Romans 8:26
    - ii. Our natural prayers are often affected by our natural emotions and intellect. Tongues prays God's will no matter how we feel or what we see in the natural.
  - g. We Intercede for Others
    - i. Romans 8:27

- h. We Pray According to the Will of God
  - i. Romans 8:27
- i. We See God Working on our Behalf
  - i. Romans 8:28
  - ii. Paul connects praying in the Spirit to knowing and realizing God's plan for our good

### MINISTRY & PRAYER TIME

Based on the discussion today, what areas do you need support and prayer for? What other prayer needs do you have? Take time to pray for one another.

### PERSONAL DEEPER COMMITMENT

Select one or two of the activities below that you will complete before our next meeting to continue your personal growth:

**Journal:** Carve out 30 minutes in your week to write about this question: ***How can you make more time for receiving and praying in the Spirit?***

**Coaching or Mentoring:** Take some time to have a coaching or mentoring conversation this week with someone about ***how to walk in the fullness of the Spirit.***

**Memorization:** Memorize the following Bible verse this week:

***For I will pour water on him who is thirsty, and floods on the dry ground; I will pour My Spirit on your descendants, and My blessing on your offspring. Isaiah 44:3, NKJV***

**Pray:** Commit to praying 10 minutes a day praying in the Spirit. Consider coming on Sundays at 9:30am for corporate prayer in the sanctuary or Sundays at 6pm for corporate prayer in the sanctuary. Harp & Bowl worship & prayer nights, last Sundays @ 6pm.

**Study:** Read ***What the Bible Says about the Holy Spirit*** by Stanley Horton

### IMPORTANT CHURCH HAPPENINGS

- Wednesday Saturation Nights, 7pm
- Harp & Bowl Night of Worship, Last Sundays @ 6pm
- Fun Arts for Kids, Last Sundays @ 6-8pm
- Healing Rooms Sundays @ 6pm
- JoyFest, May 19-21 (7pm Fri | 6pm Sat | 10am & 6pm Sun)
- Men's Retreat Registration Now Open