



Community Groups are used extensively as the primary vehicle for discipleship at The Gathering and run on a quarter system. There is one in the fall, one in the winter and one in the spring. During the summer weeks we don't meet in Community Groups but we still offer the Growth Guides as a tool to help you grow personally. The Growth Guides are designed to help you dig deeper into the weekly sermon on your own or with your family and are available each week along with the note sheets at church as well as online.

### USE THIS GUIDE TO PREPARE FOR THE DISCUSSIONS IN COMMUNITY GROUP.

## Consider...

Use the summary and discussion below to review and apply this week's message:

### Message Summary

This year during "50 Days to Fire," we're exploring what happens when God answers by fire, and we've called this series "Burn." In week 1, we studied a man who found a treasure in a field and asked ourselves some hard questions: Do we value the Kingdom? Do our actions reflect that? Are we looking for the Kingdom in others? Are we willing to give it all in order to obtain a kingdom that is worth it all? We know that the Kingdom is worth it, but it is how we respond to the Kingdom that proves whether or not we value it. We know the man in Matthew 13:44 did, and his response motivates us to do the same!

### Discuss

Use the following questions to review and apply the points learned in the message.

- What is the greatest treasure you've ever found in a garage, or attic, or yard sale? How did you react when you found out the value of your find?
- Paul opened the message asking what would you give everything away for. What are some of your answers? What makes them so valuable to you?
- Have you ever thought of the kingdom like a treasure? How does that wording from Jesus encourage you? Challenge you?
- Paul talked about 3 things that we need to value because of the Kingdom's worth: the moment, the investment, and the process. Which one stood out to you the most? Why?
- On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate yourself when it comes to "digging through the dirt" to find the kingdom in others? In yourself?
- This man found the treasure in the middle of performing his "normal" job. How does knowing that the kingdom could breakthrough our normal routines at any time change the way we approach our normal routines?

We are currently in a season of prayer and fasting that we call "50 Days to Fire" as a church. Please join us for corporate prayer each Wednesday night in the Worship Center from 7:30 - 8:30.