

**SCRIPTURE:** 1 Kings 18:20-46

## 1. BELONG

Take time to slow down together and assess how people are doing in their personal and spiritual lives. Feel free to change the questions, but the point is to truly sit in this moment to allow time and space for encouraging spiritual connectivity.

- A. How would you tell the story of this season of your life? What would you title it if it were a book?
  - What circumstances (bad or good) has the Lord been using to help you grow in Him?
  - Have you started a spiritual conversation with someone who doesn't know Jesus since we last met?
- B. With this conversation in mind, spend some time praying for one another.

## 2. DISCOVER – Read 1 Kings 18:20-46 together.

Remember, this is meant to be a dialogue not a monologue. Be an active listener as people respond to the text; ask them follow up questions. Help the group think through what they're saying and how it applies to them spiritually.

- A. Thinking back to Brad's message on this passage, what points or illustrations come to mind?
- B. How would you summarize the primary theme of this section of Scripture?
- C. What does this passage teach us about God?
  - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
- D. How does this passage point us to Jesus?
  - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
- E. What truth(s) does this passage teach us about ourselves?

## 3. APPLY

Take time applying the text. Once we hear truth, we are called to live it out. If our groups just sit and talk about information, they won't experience transformation. This section is about self-reflection and helping one another be accountable to live out what we're learning.

- A. How would you describe the character of Elijah? What would it mean for us to follow Elijah's example of taking a risk?
- B. What gives you confidence in the power of God? How has He proven Himself faithful in your life?
- C. How does Elijah's challenge to the unfaithful nation of Israel ring true with you? With what senseless idols do you often find yourself too preoccupied? How does God's truth speak to those things?

## 4. PRAY

Petition the Lord together as you close your group time. In the Belong section, we focused our prayer on one another. However, this Prayer section is to be a more outward-focused prayer time. How might the truths in these Scriptures impact the way you live your life and make a spiritual difference in the lives of those with whom you interact?

- A. Take time to pray for the needs of one another.
- B. Pray for courage to stand firmly in the truth of God's Word and to do so with grace.