LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE SUPERMAN – PART 2 WHO CAN HEAL?

Scripture: Matt 6:13

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What does it mean to have authority? The dictionary defines authority as, "the right to act in a specified way, delegated from one person or organization to another." When Jesus walked on the earth, He gave authority to His disciples to do certain things; heal the sick, raise the dead, and cast out demons (Matthew 10:8). He further reinforced the idea when He gave His disciples the "Great Commission". We as disciples share this same authority! Pastor Miles shared in his message that we are anointed/empowered by the Holy Spirit to do God's will like heal the sick and reconcile people to a love relationship with the Living God. We all have the great commission Matt 28:19.

What great works we can do as believers entrusted with the truth and power of God (ref: John 14:12 and I Thess 2:4)

MEMORY VERSES

For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of Power, and of Love and of a Sound Mind." 2 Tim 1:7

DISCUSSION STARTERS

- **1**. If God offered **you** immediate, supernatural healing (Spiritual, physical, mental or emotional), what healing would you ask for first?
- **2.** If God offered **someone else** you know immediate, supernatural healing (Spiritual, physical, mental or emotional), what healing would you like them to have?
- **3.** Compare going to a Physician and going to God for healing, which is easier for you? Why? **Follow up question after the above has been discussed:** What about going to the dentist?
- **4.** Besides gravity, what are some other things that we cannot see but are real? **Leader note:** Some possible answers would include air, magnetism, our conscience or being led by the Holy Spirit, love, fear etc.



STUDY QUESTIONS

READ the Scriptures from Sunday's Sermon:

1 Corinthians 12:31 Seek out the Spiritual gifts

- **1.** A **talent** is a natural ability; it involves techniques and methods while **gifts** are Spiritually provided. When a gift is exercised, something supernatural happens in and through the one using the gift. Share what gift(s) are you seeking.
- 2. Have you ever been Spiritually led to use your gifts and then chose NOT to exercise it/them?

1 Corinthians 12:7-11; 1 Corinthians 14:26; 1 Pet 4:10 - Spiritual gifts, Building the church

3. How does having a variation of gifts build the body of Christ?

2 Tim 1:6 - Gift of God within us

- 4. What are some fears about healing? How can we help you?
- **5.** What does it look like or mean to "stir up the gift of God?" How can we stir up or fan the fame of our gifts?

BREAK UP INTO SMALLER GROUPS OF 2 OR 3.

In Matt 28:18 Jesus said "ALL authority has been given to Me in heaven and here on Earth."

- **6.** In the smaller groups share with one another: What authority are you or have you allowed to be given over to the evil one?
- 7. If we believe God can forgive sin, why is it hard to believe He can use us to heal others?

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

Activity 1 Share your healing experience since we started the Superman Series.

Activity 2 (In groups of 2-3 people) Back to the Future.

Think of an area of needed change in your life. Visualize your desired outcome in alignment with Gods will. Share how you plan to get to the desired outcome.



Activity 3 Lay Hands

Ask if there are any volunteers to have hands put on them for healing (Physical, Emotional, Relational or Spiritual). Follow the prayer for healing model below.

TAKE IT HOME!

- 1. Take the Spiritual Gifts Assessment at www.sdrock.com/giftstest/
- **2.** Pray this week that the Lord to give you Discovery and understanding of your gift and courage and wisdom to use it for the benefit of others and glory of God.
- **3.** Seek at least one person this week and ask if you can pray for them.
- 4. Review Prayer for Healing Model:
 - 1. Ask or describe what needs to be healed. Mark 9:21
 - 2. Ask if you believe that God can heal. Mark 9:23

Say: "Jehovah Rapha, The Lord Who Heals, 'Loves you" Exodus 15:26

- 3. Ask if repentance is needed for anything like bitterness, a lack of faith, or resentment Mark 9:24
- 4. Invite the Holy Spirit to heal and restore.
- 5. Ask how you/or the person you are praying for feels. (It is OK if no instant response)

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