



DIALED IN

Dialed In - Part 8, THE DIALED IN HELPER II

Miles McPherson / March 11, 2018/ John 14:16, John 16:7

Ice Breaker:

Pastor Miles talked about being uncomfortable or stressed when checking in at airport baggage kiosks. His strong preference is to deal directly with another human. More and more, we encounter computer technology. For example, calling customer service / making or changing a medical appointment / checking out of a home center or superstore / getting technical support / making travel reservations. **What specific company or area would you most like to talk to or directly interact with a real person instead of a computer?**

As a group, speak the following to open the study (leader may lead and group repeats):

I declare that the Holy Spirit is a Person, able to live in relationship with me.

I declare that the Holy Spirit was sent to help me.

I declare that the Holy Spirit was sent to live in me.

Encouragement:

Pastor Miles began by saying God told him to say to us that God said, "Trust Him". Pastor Miles asked us to pray for something we can't do on our own. Think for a moment: **are there times when you had to trust God?** Share an example of what the Holy Spirit *has done* in your life to show we can trust in God.

Scripture:

READ John 14:16-18

Can you think of any promise Jesus made that did not come true? List some of the promises that have been fulfilled.

We often let our feelings and emotions influence our thoughts and actions - especially when the enemy influences us. **Declare a fact about the Holy Spirit working in your life that is NOT based on feelings.**

Think about someone who has been a great comfort in time need? **What was it that made them so helpful?**

Pastor Miles has encouraged us to pray for something we cannot get on our own.

What miracle would you like to ask from the Holy Spirit?

Pastor Miles described these 3 words when talking about the power of God and the Holy Spirit.

Look up these definitions and use them in a sentence about God:

omniscient

omnipresent

omnipotent

READ John 16:7 (suggest forming into smaller groups of 2 or 3)

Imagine the apostles - who had grown accustomed to Jesus comforting them - and now He was leaving. But then He said there would be something better in His place.

What life change (job/school/moving/relationship) did you have to make that was difficult or even scary at first, but eventually it became something better?

Even though God has a better plan than our own plans, we at times have a hard time trusting in Him. **Why?**

Prayer (suggest form up in groups of 2)

Pastor Miles told us: God said to me "Tell everyone to trust Me." Close your eyes and meditate a few moments on this: **God is asking each one of us to trust Him about something. What is it?** Share with one another and offer prayer about it.

READ 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Pastor Miles referred to this passage and asked the congregation if they were carrying a burden. A huge majority raised their hands. Pastor Miles pointed out that God did not intend for us to e alone. In addition to the Holy Spirit, He placed others with similar burdens around us.

Have you been reluctant to share you burdens with others? Was/is your pride a factor? How would you encourage someone else to tell you about their burden or trial or difficulty in trusting God? Share a burden you have been experiencing and pray with one another about it.

Next Steps:

Pastor Miles talked about a "Wooo" hit in football - a hit or tackle so hard anyone who saw it says "Wooo" and wonders if the hit player is going to get up. Last week, we asked the Holy Spirit to guide you and identify what you could accomplish moving forward in the next 18 years. **What would be a "wooo" miracle God can work in your life?**

* Join the daily prayer challenge on Facebook live March 12-16 and March 19-23 at 6:00 am. See the Sunday bulletin or text "PRAYER" to 52525 for additional information.

Who can you invite to the Rock for Easter? To send a 90-second video invite featuring Pastor Miles:

- Text "**EASTER**" to **52525**
- Type **YOUR NAME** (FIRST & LAST)
- TYPE THE **PHONE NUMBER** OF THE PERSON YOU WANT TO INVITE
- AFTER THE PROMPT, TYPE "**Y**" TO SEND THE VIDEO.

Pastor Miles' message to us this series has been to increase our prayer time and "Dial In" to the conversations already taking place. As you pray this week, **how would you fill in these blanks?**

Lord, Bless _____ so I can _____.
(Describe how it will glorify or benefit God)

