

Life Application Questions

Consider the following sermon-based questions for your individual study or with a group of folks like one of the several Life Groups available at Chilson Hills.

Foundational Scripture

Acts 2:37-47

Featured Scripture Reflection

“All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.” (Acts 2:44-45, NRSV)

Opening Icebreaker

What is your most prized possession?

Scripture Questions

What is scripture saying?

- Acts gives us a picture of the beginning of an early Christian community and their priorities immediately after responding to Peter’s urging to repent and be baptized as followers of Jesus. What attitude do you think these people had toward one another that they were able to live this way?
- How do you think the lives of these people changed after choosing to follow Jesus?
- What might have been their challenges living as a community?
- What do you think was attractive for them about living this way?

How is your life touched?

- What might be the “2010 equivalent lifestyle to the example given in Acts” look like?
- What is attractive to you about the lifestyle described in Acts? Unattractive? Challenging?
- What might make this lifestyle difficult in southeast Michigan now?
- In what ways does your lifegroup reflect this lifestyle? In what ways is it different?

What is God’s invitation to you?

- God called the first-century people in Judea, through Peter, into a different way of living from what was common for them—to be more fully who God created them to be. However, this was also a return to community living as described in numerous places in the Old Testament. When taken in context, there certainly seems to be a message here about God’s intention for humans to live in community. What can you do as a lifegroup to move closer to this model?

What can you pray for?

Pray that Chilson Hills will be a place where people will live as a community where all the needs of the people are met.