Mission

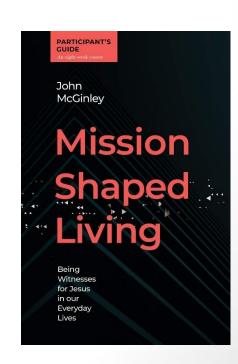
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Session 3: Courage What most stayed with you or surprised you from last week's session?

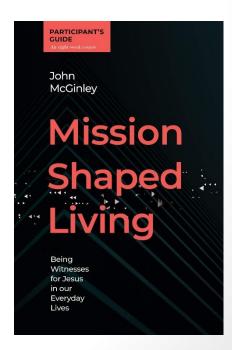
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Personal reflection...

- Asking God questions... (p37-38)



Any stories of stepping out to share?





'Courage is not the absence of fear; instead it is an awareness of the challenges that face us, and being willing to hear God's call and to trust him as we step forward.'

Hebrews 12:3 'Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners so that you will not grow weary and lose heart'

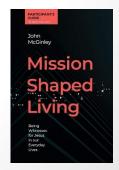
When I Survey

(Traditional)

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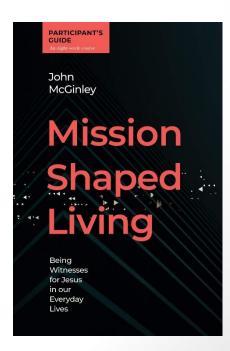
In breakout groups (p42-43)

- How are you?
- Anything else to share?
- Are you finding time to pray and connect with God each day?
- What has been your experience of sharing faith with non-Christians in the past?
- What are the things that give you confidence in the gospel and in sharing your faith?
- What reduces your confidence?



In chat....

Put in what reduces your confidence?





Acts 2:1-13

John 16:7-15

Questions:

- How does God give his disciples confidence?
- What does this teach us about God's Spirit?
 What does the Holy Spirit do?

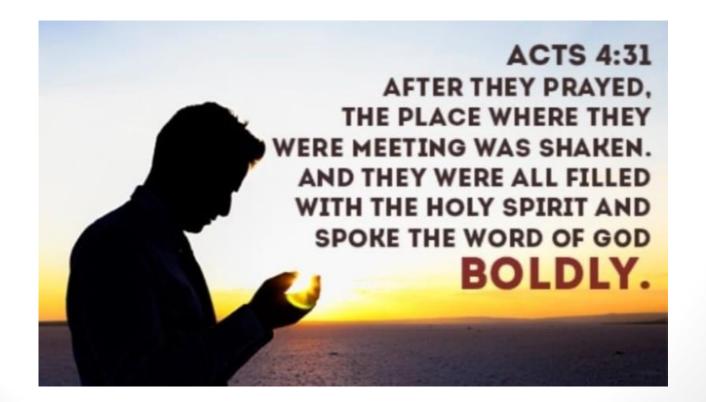


'If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference' (A.W. Tozer)

What does 'doing mission with the Spirit,' rather than in our own strength, look like?



Acts 4:23-31



Mapping your relational world

Michael Hannah

YOU
(Example)

Sam

Busen

Nick

(p45-6)

- Do exercise on p46 drawing your relational world
- Pray and ask God to direct you to 5 people you regularly come into contact with and who you could witness to and who you want to pray for to come to faith in Jesus.
- Pray for them every day to come to faith



Pray for 5 (p47)

Praying for the (re)filling of the Holy Spirit for each other

How to pray for each other:

- Pray with eyes open!
- Thank God for that person
- Pray for the Spirit to fill them afresh and to empower them
- Wait give thanks for what God is doing in them and allow time for the Spirit to be at work
- Listen to God do you sense God guiding you as to how to pray or giving you words to share? Share it, pray it, declare it.
- Continue to pray until you sense God has finished ministering to that person.

Spirit Break Out (Bryant/Hellebronth/Dhillon/Hughes) CCLI Song # 6058450 All rights reserved

Challenge for this week

- Commit to praying for your 5 people each day.
- Work through p49-51 on your own especially the 'mission styles' exercise

Lord Jesus Christ, I am no longer my own but yours.

In gratitude for your saving death on my behalf, I offer my life to you afresh.

Call me to the mission of your kingdom and open my eyes to the spiritual need of those around me.

Give me your love and compassion for the lost, and strengthen me with your grace to serve them and be a blessing to them.

Send me in the power of your Holy Spirit to witness to the gospel and reveal you to those I meet.

Teach me how to make disciples and where I need to change my attitude, lifestyle and habits.

I freely and wholeheartedly commit myself to this call, knowing that in everything you will give me your inspiration, strength and grace.

Glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are mine and I am yours. So be it.

Let this covenant now made on earth be fulfilled in heaven.

Amen