

## Life Group Notes – w/c Sunday 19th June 2011

*[NB. The discussion part of this section of the evening should last no more than about 30 minutes. Also, the notes below are by no means meant to be prescriptive. Please feel free to adapt or ignore them as best fits the group you are a part of – don't feel you need to cover every question!!]*

**Key Passage:** Acts 19:1-7

On Sunday I spoke about the promise of the Father – the gift of the Holy Spirit – and we looked together at some of the barriers or obstacles to the work of the Holy Spirit that may exist in our own lives.

1. How open are you to pursuing the presence of the Holy Spirit in your own life? What does this mean for you in practice??
2. What does Paul's question in vs2 tell us about the gift of the Holy Spirit?
3. Read Acts 2:38-39. Who is the promise of the gift of the Holy Spirit for? What does this tell us about those who can receive the Holy Spirit??
4. Read Acts 19:5-6 again. In the New Testament it seems that speaking in tongues was more than just a private prayer language. If this is the case, why do you think we don't encounter more of it during our corporate gatherings?

Trust these questions help. Have a great week!

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