WE ENJOY THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD THE FATHER! SMALL GROUP

WEEK 5 "Father God Gives Good Gifts" Nov.13-19

WELCOME

- If you could ask God for any gift, what would you ask him for?
- If God could give you any gift, what do you think he would give you?

WATCH

 Andrew Ripp - Fill My Cup (Official Lyric Video) | 3min. 27sec. | Located at cornerstonewat.com under 'Study Guides'

READ & DISCUSS

- Read Matthew 7:7-11 and Luke 11:9-13
 - Context: Identical teachings on prayer from Jesus with a slight twist from Luke.
 - What type of attitude does Jesus want us to approach prayer with? Why?
 - O How does Jesus describe God the Father?
 - o What differences do you notice in Luke's version vs. Matthew's?
 - o In what way do you think the Holy Spirit is a good gift from the Father?
- Read Acts 1:1-9; 2:36-41
 - Context: Jesus has died, risen, and ascended to heaven. The first scripture is Jesus giving instructions for the disciples to wait for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. When the disciples receive Him, Jerusalem is turned upside down and everyone is trying to figure out what's going on. The second scripture is the end of Peter's first speech.
 - O What stands out to you from this passage?
 - O What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will give the disciples?
 - O Who does Peter say the gift of the Holy Spirit is for?
- Read Acts 2:42-47
 - Context: After receiving the Holy Spirit, the life of the early church was brought to life.
 - What rhythms does the early church practice in this passage?
 - O What was the attitude of the early church?
 - What would you like to see in your life...in our church...that we need to ask/trust the Holy Spirit to help us with?

PRACTICE

• Renounce and Affirm: "I renounce the lie that you, Father God, are denying me the pleasures of life. I choose to believe the truth that you, Father God, are the author of life and will lead me into love, joy, and peace when I choose to be filled with Your Spirit."