

Small Group Questions

Feb 26/23: "Renewed Community" Acts 2:1-4, 14, 37-38; 41 -47

1. On Sunday Tim shared a couple of words and images he has been prayerfully discerning were from God for our church community. They were:
 - a) A message through an interpreted tongue and the significant presence of a bird – "Behold I am doing a new thing – let me in"
 - b) A vision given to a GTA Pastor of revival in the city of Toronto as little brush fires across the city.
 - c) The "bird" flying into our church during the Bishop's sermon inviting deeper partnership with the diocese in whatever the Spirit is calling us to.
 - d) An image of a bird hovering over our church flapping its wings. Like a billow fanning into flame the embers of our faith.

What stood out to you in this that was either personally significant or corporately significant?

Read Isaiah 43

2. Many have been drawn to Isaiah 43, in particular vs. 19, after hearing this story. What do you think might be the significance of Isaiah 43 in helping us understand the new thing God is doing that we are invited to let him in to accomplish in our midst?

While Tim acknowledged that sharing these things was simply an act of obedience with no clear sense of where it was all going we do have clarity from the record of scripture what it looks like when the Spirit of God comes upon a community.

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3. (42 – 47) What five things does the spirit shape a community to be devoted to? Where do you see our need at Little T for more of the infilling of the Spirit of God? For more of his work to devote us to one or more of these things in balance in unison with one another?
4. From this text it appears that the means by which we receive the work of the Spirit is through repentance and trust. As you reflect on that reality what do you believe the Lord may be inviting you / us to repent of that the Spirit may be given more and more freedom to work in us, in our church?