

## **Connect Group notes 9 June 2025**

Sunday was Pentecost!

Chris spoke to us from two passages of scripture using six key words that stood out to him -

These words were;

*Move*

*Wait*

*Pray*

*Together*

*Suddenly*

*Spirit*

Have someone in your group read these two passages;

Acts 1: 1-14 and

Acts 2: 1-4

### **Discussion Points**

1. *Move – Jesus instructed his disciples to be on the move in spreading the gospel*
  - How can we posture ourselves to move well in any area of life, either physically or spiritually?
  - Why might we find ‘moving’ challenging at times?
  - What might ‘moving’ look like for us as Jesus followers in different seasons of our lives (again either physically or spiritually)?
  - How does the Spirit help us to ‘move’ when he asks us to?
2. *Wait – on God’s timing*
  - What happens in the waiting times of our lives that is important and significant?
  - How can we wait ‘well’?

- Discuss the idea of 'active waiting' and how this could look for us as we trust God's timing?
- Chris commented that our waiting times deepen trust and humility, and at times protect us from premature outcomes. Does anyone want to share about their own experience of this?

*3 and 4 - Pray and Together - Jesus' followers joined together in constant prayer in their waiting time.*

- How does prayer create unity amongst believers, especially in a time of waiting?
- Why are strength, unity and togetherness important as Christ's body?

*5. Suddenly – God breaks into our lives in suddenly moments!*

Chris spoke about the fact that God has a tendency to break in to our lives suddenly as we wait on him.

- How does our consistency in prayer and in the 'boring' stuff of life make way for God's suddenly moments?
- How does this encourage us, and give hope, when we are in the normal day to day of life and nothing exciting seems to be happening?

*6. Spirit – We have the seal of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Sending the Spirit was God's suddenly moment that first Pentecost!*

- What does being filled with the Spirit mean to us?
- What does it mean to walk in the Spirit and how do we practically do this in our normal day to day lives?

## **PRAY and Apply**

- Ask God for the desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit and for his discernment to know how to live lives that demonstrate his power and Lordship.

- Ask God to show us an area of our life where he wants to empower us in a new way.