

# Confirmation Small Group Time

## (New Testament - Class 8: Acts and Spreading of the Gospel)

**Theme Verse:** John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

### Highs and Lows...

**Choose one of the following quotes that speaks to you and share why you chose it.**

“The more often we are mown down by you, the more in number we grow; the blood of Christians is seed.” (Tertullian on persecution)

“No one can have God for his Father, who has not the Church for his mother.” (Saint Cyprian of Carthage)

“The church the Bible described is exciting and adventurous and wrought with sacrifice. It cost believers everything, and they still came.” (Jen Hatmaker)

**Choose questions** from the following to feed the discussion on the topic:

Why do you think the early church, immediately after the Resurrection grew so fast? Even in the face of terrible persecution and death?

Acts 2 speaks about the Holy Spirit coming to the first disciples and empowering them to communicate about Jesus. Sometimes we call God, the Holy Spirit, but who is the Holy Spirit?

Is the Spirit a force? A person? Male/Female? What's your guess? (No wrong answers.)

At baptism, we pray for the Holy Spirit to be with the person their whole life long. How do you think the Holy Spirit works in your life?



**Try and Memorize the Theme Verse.**