

4. Read 1 Corinthians 6:19. What is the source of God's presence, power, and direction in the life of the follower of Jesus today?

5. How does what happened at Pentecost reinforce the incompatibility of racism with Christian doctrine & practice?

6. How does what happened at Pentecost assure the follower of Jesus, "You are never alone"?

7. Pray and ask the Lord to show you what you need to *know* and what you need to *do* in response to what you've heard and read this week. Write here what comes to mind.

IN YOUR GROUP

TALK IT OVER with friends right now, using the **bold** questions above. In your Cornerstone Community group this week, discuss your answers to the ON YOUR OWN questions. In a one-hour online group session, you might spend a 10-15 minutes catching up, 40 minutes talking through the discussion questions above, and 15-20 minutes praying for one another and planning ways the group can meet needs and serve others.

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Growth Guide

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2020

CONNECT AT CORNERSTONE

We want to welcome you personally! Text NEW to 603-225-2550 right now wherever you are. Cornerstone is a group of Jesus' followers who aim to honor God by showing what he can do with and through lives surrendered to him. We believe following Jesus makes life better, and makes you better at life—and brings glory to God in the process. Let us show you how!

MORE PEOPLE SAYING "YES!" TO
JESUS MORE OFTEN

TODAY'S MESSAGE

EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE

WEEK THREE: UPENDED

TODAY: INCLUSION • ACTS 2:1-21

THE BOTTOM LINE

**EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF
THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.**

'But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will
be saved.' – Acts 2:21 NLT

EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE

...you will be my witnesses,
telling people about me everywhere—
– Acts 1:8 NLT

THREE BENEFITS OF INCLUSION IN GOD'S FAMILY

- Presence: God is with us.
- Power: God is for us.
- Direction: God is guiding us.

All these were demonstrated by the *place* God had established; first in the tent/tabernacle, then the temple. Then God did something that upended their sense of *place*; first in Jesus, then in Jesus' followers. God's family and his kingdom would bust out of just one place and just one nation to everyone everywhere. God made his place a *person* in Jesus, then, on the day of Pentecost, turned his *people* into his new temple, a temple located everywhere, and in every one of his followers!

The Tabernacle

"Have the people of Israel build me a holy sanctuary so I can live among them." – Exodus 25:8 NLT

Then the cloud covered the Tabernacle, and the glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle...Now whenever the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out on their journey, following it.– Exodus 40:34, 36 NLT

The cloud of the Lord hovered over the Tabernacle during the day, and at night fire glowed inside the cloud so the whole family of Israel could see it. – Exodus 40:38 NLT

The Temple

When Solomon finished praying, fire flashed down from heaven and burned up the burnt offerings and sacrifices, and the glorious presence of the Lord filled the Temple.
– 2 Chronicles 7:1 NLT

Jesus

So the Word became human and made his home [lit. "pitched his tent"] among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. – John 1:14 NLT

The Church

On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit... – Acts 2:1-4a NLT

Saying "YES!" to Jesus? Text **YES** to **603-225-2550**

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& resource you for your new life in Christ.*

SOME APPLICATIONS

- Racism in any form is incompatible with Christian doctrine and must be eradicated from Christian practice.
- We are in the midst of a great opportunity to balance "Come and see!" with "Go and tell!"
- You are never alone.

THE CHALLENGE:

**...you will be my witnesses,
telling people about me everywhere–
– Acts 1:8 NLT**

ON YOUR OWN

Answer these questions this week to reflect and go deeper.

- 1. What location feels most like home and gives you a sense of place?**
- 2. What are the three benefits of inclusion in God's family that Brian mentioned? Which one is most important to you right now and why?**
3. Read John 2:18-21. To what did Jesus equate his own body? How did Jesus bodily presence on earth provide those three benefits of inclusion?