



Discussion Guide for “Stone and Spirit”

Don't Go There! Week 8

Sometimes it seems as though the Church and the larger world don't have anything to say to each other, that they're not even speaking the same language. But the story of Pentecost reminds us that the Church need not be afraid of the conversations our culture is having, that in fact she enables us to speak and to be understood. In the wake of Pentecost, we can engage our world with love and grace, confident the Spirit has gone before us and is inviting us to join in.

Scriptures for Further Reading

[Ezekiel 37:1-14](#)

[Psalm 104:23-34](#)

[John 15:26-27](#)

[Acts 2:1-12](#)

[Romans 8:22-27](#)

Questions for Discussion

1. Do you feel more comfortable in the language of the Church or the languages of our culture? Why?
2. Why do you think the Church and our culture struggle to communicate well?
3. How does the setting of Catalyst feel like that of the first Church in Acts?
4. What does it mean to say the Spirit enables the Church and culture to talk to each other? What does this look like?
5. What does it look like for you to respond to the Spirit's leading this week?