



## **“Burning the Plow”**

1 Kings 19:19-21

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you're leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group. ~ Pastor Matt

### **KEY THOUGHT**

God gave Elijah an apprentice, a young man whom he can mentor. God knew that Elijah needed someone who could walk with him and share the burdens of ministry. He needed someone who could continue the work after he was gone.

### **OPEN**

- If you were offered a free, all-expense paid trip, but you had to leave immediately and drop whatever you had going on, would you go? Why or Why not?
- What's one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention? (Read 1 Kings 19:19-21)

### **DISCUSSION**

- Describe Elisha's life before his meeting with Elijah. In your own words, what was the impact on Elisha when Elijah placed his mantle upon him?
- What examples of incredible faith have you witnessed in your life?
- Describe a time when you obeyed God even though you didn't fully understand His direction. What resulted from your obedience?
- How do you know when God is leading you?
- What security do you need to step away from that will allow you to step toward your destiny?
- How would you describe your level of trust in God right now? What might be keeping you from trusting him fully?
- *“Following Jesus always leads to a cross where our plans are crucified”* Pastor Bill .  
Read Matthew 10:37-39
- Read Luke 9:62 – This speaks of radical commitment. Would others consider you radical for Christ?

### **NEXT STEPS**

- What one step of obedience can you take this week to respond to what God is asking you to do?
- How can your small group help, encourage, pray for or keep you accountable you this week?