

Personal Reflection & Growth Group Discussions
God made known
Acts 2:1-11; John 14:8-17

(Choose the most appropriate questions below for discussion – you don't need to do them all :)

1. Discuss or consider anything in the passage or sermon that struck you.
2. Can you think of something you learned about God or life from the natural world? What happened?
 - a) Can you think of an example in creation of something that could lead us to a wrong conclusion?
3. Every offering to the Lord whether a “food offering, or burnt offering or sacrifice” (Num 15:3) had three elements – the animal (v 3), bread (v 4) and wine (v 5). At the Last Supper Jesus instituted the remembrance of him in only the two elements of bread and wine. Why is that significant?
 - a) The Passover festival was not about a sacrifice for sin. In what sense is Jesus our “Passover Lamb” (1 Cor 5:7)?
4. Pointing back to the exodus and the provision of manna in the wilderness Jesus makes some startling statements to the crowd after he feeds the 5,000 (John 6). He describes himself as the bread of life (v 35) and says we must eat his flesh and drink his blood to have eternal life (v 53-55). The only possible way we can do anything like this is at the celebration of the Eucharist. Discuss.
5. Celebration of Holy Communion is a remembrance (Luke 22:19, the confirmation of a New Covenant (Luke 22:20), and a participation in Christ’s body and blood (1 Cor 10:16). What does this all mean?
6. From the time of the early church, Christians have contemplated the “threefold” body of Christ. The incarnate body of Christ (John 1:14, 6:51), the Body that is celebrated at the communion table (Matt 26:26, John 6:55-56), and the body of Christ as the church (1 Cor 12:27, Col 1:24). Discuss.
7. How is this relevant to your life and your walk with the Lord?

Pray for each other, the church and the world.