

# Small Group Study: *School of Faith*

## Welcome:

Brainstorm together: What would it look like for God's full power to be unleashed in your life? In our church? In our community?

## Worship:

Spend time in prayer giving thanks to God for new life and His provision in preparing us.

## Word:

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 17:8-24 and John 21:18

## OBSERVATION

- What stuck out to you from this week's message about the school of faith?
- Think about the way Elijah went about raising the widow's son from the dead - he lays the boy down and stretches himself over him. John 21:18 uses similar language as Jesus foretells the manner in which Peter will die. Do you see this as a reference to the cross and the work of Jesus? Take a moment to discuss it as a group.

## APPLICATION

1. Can you pinpoint a time in your life where God was preparing you? How did you feel during that season of preparation?
2. Do you feel like you are currently being tested by God? How are you doing at each of the tests given to Elijah?
  - a. Will you leave your comfort zone?
  - b. Will you be generous with a little?
  - c. Will you trust in community?
  - d. Where do you turn in adversity?

PRAY for one another and set some action steps to hold each other accountable to the preparations God is working in you.

## Witness:

Choose one of the tests to work on – maybe being generous or stepping outside your comfort zone – and identify one way you can bless somebody not in your group. Can you make an invite to somebody who would benefit being part of your group? Can you meet a need of a neighbor?