**SUPERNATURAL: Abilities**

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**Life Group Discussion Questions:**

As you prepare to discuss the following questions, ask a Life Group member that enjoys reading aloud to read **Acts 9: 1-31.**

1. Thinking back on this week’s sermon, was there a particular point that stood out to you or challenged you?

2. Derek boldly shared a fictitious parallel, with Kalib as Saul, to awaken us to the challenge that faced Ananias and Barnabas. What was your reaction as the story’s social worker made the phone call asking (you) to call upon the terrorist, to “take your Bible and go over there and see what happens”?

3. Discuss the transformation of Saul to Paul. How great is our God that He can so completely transform a person’s heart? Do you know of a person that has been dramatically changed as a result of meeting Jesus? How have you been changed?

4. How can it be that our availability is more important than our ability to serve our God? Have you ever felt inadequate as you were being called to service by our Lord? Read **2 Corinthians 4:7**. Who is the jar and what is the treasure?

5. What does it mean to “selflessly step up when God speaks”? What might you have to sacrifice to serve? Read **1 Peter 4:10-11**. Why do we serve when God calls?

**Application:** The Scriptures exhort us to use what we have to build up the Church. Derek asked, “will you let God take your abilities and make a supernatural impact through your life?”

1. Do you know your spiritual gift(s)? Would you consider taking the Grace Church CORE class to learn about spiritual giftedness?

 2. Do you feel you’ve been called to serve? Did you respond during the service?

**Prayer thought:** Read **Isaiah 6:8** and let that lead you into prayer. Ask the group to pray in a posture of hands open if they are willing to be called and used by God.

Lord, let us hear you when you call upon us. Keep us mindful that our availability to you is the first key to serving you. Give us the wisdom and strength to selflessly step up and utilize our spiritual gifts when it is our time to serve.