

**WARM UP QUESTION:** Have you watched a fire burn recently? What came to mind?

**READ:** Hebrews 12:14, 28-29, Leviticus 9:2-23, Matthew 3:11

**FOCUS:** Why does the fire fall?

**OBSERVE:**

- God sends His fire to burn among us, igniting us in revival in His kingdom. What brings the fire? What is God looking for?
- God responds to consecration, the dedicating of yourself to Him. As Hebrews 9:14 says, no one will see the Lord without holiness. Holiness attracts the heart of God.
- God responds to confident faith in a dark culture. In 1 Kings 18 we see the story of Elijah defeating the prophets of Baal with confident faith among worshippers of false gods.
- God responds to humility, confession and contrition. In 1 Chronicles 21 we read about King David dealing with sin in his life. David insisted on paying full price for a threshing floor saying, "I will not ... offer burnt offerings that cost me nothing." God "answered him with fire from heaven upon the altar of burnt offering."
- God responds to convocation, days set aside to worship. When King Solomon finished praying, after he brought the ark into the temple (2 Chronicles 5-7), fire came down and consumed the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple.

**DISCUSS:**

- What stood out to you, or what did the Holy Spirit bring to your attention?
- Have you ever wanted more of God and wondered how to proceed?
- Is your Christian life everything you want it to be?

**TAKE ACTION:**

- How will you, as a group, consecrate yourselves to God? Discuss humility, confession and contrition. Pray for each other.
- Discuss ways you can show confident faith in a dark world. Pray for each other that your faith may be strengthened.
- Commit yourselves to honoring God by coming together and on Sundays.

**PRAY:** *Heavenly Father, we ask for Your fire to fall on us. In Jesus' Name, Amen!*