

*Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from November 13, 2016  
The Ministry to the Disciples of John the Baptist  
Acts 19:1-10**

**Observing the text**

What was the spiritual state of the disciples when Paul encountered them in Acts 19:1?

Why did these disciples not know there is a Holy Spirit when John taught the Spirit would come (cf. Luke 3:15-16)?

Compare this instance of speaking with tongues to the other times this occurs in the book of Acts (cf. Acts 2:1-4; Acts 10:44-47). How does this comparison help you understand Acts 19?

Why does Paul begin teaching in the hall of Tyrannus? What was the goal of this and what does this tell us about the history of the church?

**Applying the sermon**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ? If so, have you been baptized as a result of your belief? If not, why not?

How well are you able to discuss accurately the New Testament practice of tongues-speaking to people in our community if it were to come up in a conversation? What might be some problems with misunderstanding this Scripture?

How committed are you to grow in your understanding of God's Word? How does your interest compare with the enthusiasm for learning by the Ephesian believers?

How does your study of God's Word help others who do not know Christ to learn about Him?