

# SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE



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## Speak ... Justice

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In the beginning was the word. God speaks creation into existence. And God has not stopped speaking ... to us ... through us ... for us.

To speak for justice and equality is a powerful event in human history. It can create massive change for generations. It can change the world.

## SCRIPTURE TEXT: NUMBERS 27:1-11

Read the scripture text together as a group.

### BACKGROUND INFO

One of the main topics in the book of Numbers is justice in land ownership. Israel was a group of tribes and Moses was tasked with making sure, according to the “number” of people in each tribe, that land would be distributed equally. The system they used to pass on land and possessions was through male children because if you were a son and you married someone outside your tribe, you and your land and possessions stayed with your tribe. But if you were a daughter and you married outside the tribe, your land and possessions would leave the original tribe creating an unequal balance of land and possessions. This system had flaws, and in today’s scripture passage, Tizrah and her sisters speak out for justice.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Share about the first time you learned/experienced the unsettling truth that “life isn’t fair.”
- Share about a time that you spoke out for justice when “life wasn’t fair.” On a scale of 1-10, how difficult was that to do? Was the result worth the risk?
- Tell us about the most courageous example of somebody speaking out for justice that you ever personally witnessed.
- Which historical justice-seeking figure is most inspirational to you? Why does their story resonate with you?
- **The Bible is a book of justice.** As a group, talk about where you see justice spoken in the Bible.
- **There is a lot of injustice in our world that disorients us.** As a group, brainstorm a list of injustices that are making headlines today. Besides “disorientation,” what emotions are stirred in you when you become aware of these injustices? What are some practical ways that we can avoid becoming numb to injustice?

**CHALLENGE:** God’s word speaks justice. We too are called to speak justice. In your day to day... in your interactions... when you are in line waiting for your turn to go down the slide... where can you wade in the water, trusting that God will do the troubling?