

**MEET WITH ME by Ten Shekel Shirt**

*I'm here to meet with You; Come and meet with me  
I'm here to find You; reveal Yourself to me*

*As I wait You make me strong  
As I long draw me to Your arms  
As I stand and sing Your praise  
You come, You come and You fill this place*

*Won't You come,... Lord come and fill this place*

**Wait a minute, wait a minute!!...** The Bible says that as a believer I am a temple of the Holy Spirit (*1 Corinthians 6*) and that the Holy Spirit of God already lives in me (*1 John 3:24, 2 Timothy 1:14, Romans 8:11*). Read at least a couple of these verses and write down what you think they mean in your own words.

So then, why does this song say that we're looking for God, waiting for Him?

Isn't God already in my heart if I've received Him, along with other Christians here? Why does He need to "fill this place" then, if He's already here?

Read some of the following verses and discuss what it meant for these people to be "filled" with the Holy Spirit: Luke 1:67; Acts 4:8, 4:31, 5:3, 13:9, 13:52; Romans 15:13. What is it you are asking God to do in this song?

**TO DWELL ON DURING THIS SONG:** Is the reason that you're here at small group really to meet with God? Is this the only place where you do it? Think of all the other parts of your life that you want God to "fill." Can you sing "fill this place" in each of your classes? In your bedroom? On dates? At the computer?...

## LEADERS' GUIDE

**Run off the first sheet** of this lesson and giving a sheet to each student. Heavily emphasize that you want them to keep the handouts. Perhaps make **folders** or give them **binders** to hang onto these sheets. Ask them to bring the folder or binder each week to small group. Maybe even include a couple of blank sheets for prayer requests.

I'd also recommend **getting this song on a CD** and playing it in small group when it comes at the appropriate time of the study. It breaks up the talking, and they will "hear" the words much more clearly by focusing on it. Go to [www.worshiptogether.com](http://www.worshiptogether.com) if you don't know where to find it.

Contact Melanie Pearlman ([melanie\\_pearlman@hotmail.com](mailto:melanie_pearlman@hotmail.com)) if you have further questions about this study, or Kelly Soifer if you have questions about the tips in the Leader's Guide.

### **THIS STUDY:**

I'd recommend doing an interesting **discussion opener** at the beginning, before they even know what you're going to be discussing.

**Ask them:** How do people meet each other? Why do you think people use classified ads, dating websites, go to bars, etc.?

*You want students to understand that we have a FUNDAMENTAL NEED to know a few others well, and be known well by them. We will go to great lengths to meet with others if we aren't getting that need met. In other words, we are created for relationship.*

However, every human relationship will disappoint us to some extent. NO ONE can meet all of our needs. Only God can.

Spend time at the end of the study discussing personal devotions. Use this time as a challenge and opportunity to talk about the habit of Bible reading. Set some goals as a small group, and remember to hold one another accountable.