



Discussion Guide

RENAISSANCE Online · Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November 2026

This guide follows the four movements of Al Gordon's book *Spark*: imagination, inspiration, innovation and impact. Each one moves from worship and prayer to honest conversation, and ends by sending people back into their everyday creativity.

01 How to use this guide

- ✦ Pick one movement for each session you watch. We suggest **imagination and inspiration on Friday**, and **innovation and impact on Saturday**.
- ✦ You don't need to use every question. Choose two or three that fit your group.
- ✦ Keep it simple, and leave room for silence. The best moments are often unplanned.

02 A simple shape for every gathering

Welcome 10 MINUTES Food, introductions and a short prayer. Ask: what's one thing you've made, fixed or started recently?	Worship 15–20 MINUTES Optional. Your own worship team, or join the worship on the stream.	Watch THE SESSION Watch live, or on replay within 7 days.	Discuss 20 MINUTES Use the questions for that session's movement.	Pray and be sent 10 MINUTES Use the prayer prompt, then each person names one small step.
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Short on time? Use just the first question and the prayer prompt.

03 The four movements at a glance

FRIDAY Imagination Made in the image of a creative God.	FRIDAY Inspiration Tending the creative fire, not forcing it.	SATURDAY Innovation Risk, failure and original work.	SATURDAY Impact Creativity for the good of the city.
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FRIDAY

04 Movement 1: Imagination

All of human life is creative, because we're made in the image of a creative God. Creativity isn't a gift for a few; it's the birthright of every believer.

Read Genesis 1:1–2 and 1:26–27 · Ephesians 3:20

Discuss

- ✦ When did you last feel truly creative? What were you doing?
- ✦ Many of us have believed the lie that creativity is for other people. Where did you first pick that up?
- ✦ What would change in your work, home or church if you saw yourself as made in the image of the Creator?

Pray Thank God for the creativity he has placed in each person in the room. Confess the ways we've dismissed or buried it.

FRIDAY

05 Movement 2: Inspiration

True inspiration starts with encountering the Creator. In an age of burnout, comparison and the algorithm, our creative fire needs tending, not forcing.

Read Exodus 31:1–6 (Bezalel, filled with the Spirit for his craft) · 2 Timothy 1:6–7

Discuss

- ✦ What drains your creative energy at the moment? What refuels it?
- ✦ Bezalel was filled with God's Spirit for practical, skilled work. What does that say about your own work?
- ✦ Where do you need to stop comparing and start creating?

Pray Ask the Holy Spirit to fan into flame the gifts in your group. Pray specifically for anyone feeling tired or stuck.

SATURDAY

06 Movement 3: Innovation

Creating something original means taking risks, and sometimes failing. Failure isn't the end of the story; it can be the fuel for growth. In a world of endless content, original creativity matters more, not less.

Read

Isaiah 43:18–19 · Matthew 25:14–30 (the parable of the talents)

Discuss

- ✦ Tell the group about a creative risk you took. What happened, and what did you learn?
- ✦ In the parable, the servant who buried his talent did so out of fear. What are you tempted to bury, and why?
- ✦ What new thing might God be doing that you're invited to join?

Pray

Bring your fears about failure to God. Pray for courage for one person in the group who is about to start something new.

SATURDAY

07 Movement 4: Impact

Creativity is for the good of the world, not just for ourselves. Our vision is for every local church to become a cathedral of creativity: a place where people encounter the Creator, are equipped as creatives and are sent out to renew their city.

Read

Jeremiah 29:7 · Matthew 5:14–16

Discuss

- ✦ What would it look like for your church to become a cathedral of creativity?
- ✦ Who in your community or workplace needs to see hope made visible? How could creativity serve them?
- ✦ What one thing will you make, start or restart before Christmas?

Pray and be sent

Pray for the creatives in your church by name. Then send each other out: go and create, for the glory of God and the good of your city.

FOR HOSTS: AFTER THE FESTIVAL

- ✦ Share one story or photo with us, and tag @renaissance.movement.
- ✦ Keep the spark going: read Spark together using the Spark Circle reading group material, or start a monthly creatives' gathering.
- ✦ Fill in the 2-minute feedback form on Mon 16 Nov.