

Life Together Group Questions

April 3, 2016

Acts 21:37-22:29

1. Read 21:30-40 How do you think you would have responded to this hostile crowd?
2. What is the heart of Christ Paul had and that we need as well? (2 Cor. 5:14-16)
3. What kind of dependence on the Holy Spirit? (Lk. 12:11-12; 21:12-15) Have you ever had a hostile moment like this where you needed to depend on the Holy Spirit?
4. Paul sought to establish common ground in His testimony, Acts 21:40-22:5. What common ground do you seek to establish when seeking to share about Jesus?
5. Paul has a Divine Confrontation with Jesus, Acts 22:6-11. Has there ever been a time where the Lord stopped you in your tracks, per se, to open your eyes and redirect you?
6. Jesus sends Ananias, a member of His church/body to minister to Saul and help him solidify his faith in Christ, Acts 22:12-16. Who in the church helped you come to faith and solidify your relationship with Christ? What made them effective in ministering to you?
7. Ananias mentions Jesus as the “Righteous One” in 22:14. What were the Messianic implications in the OT prophets? (see Is. 32:1; 53:11; Jer. 23:5; Zech. 9:9)
8. Why do you think Paul’s mission to the Gentiles was so polarizing to the crowd in Acts 22:17-22? Are there things we bring up in sharing Christ with others that elicits a hostile response?
9. Paul’s Roman Citizenship is a game changer in how he is treated and the access he will have in sharing the gospel, Acts 22:23-29. Is there anything in your life or background that the Lord wants to use to open doors and make known the Gospel?
10. This incident in isolation makes it seem like Paul’s efforts for the Kingdom are in vain. Have you ever been stuck and wonder if your efforts are in vain? How can you start to see the big picture? (Rom. 8:28)
11. How does this passage help you take another step in Pursuing Jesus?
12. How does this passage help equip you to serve Christ and His body?
13. How does this passage help you share Christ with others that need to know Him?
14. What is a question that was not asked about this passage that you would like to ask?

SERMON OUTLINE:

- An Unusual Occasion To Testify – Acts 21:40-22:22
- Cultivating Common Ground – Acts 21:40-22:5
- Experiencing A Divine Confrontation – Acts 22:6-11
- Encountering An Ecclesiological Messenger – Acts 22:12-16
- Paul Polarizing Mission – Acts 22:17-22
- Paul Perfectly Positioned – Acts 22:23-29