

Life Together Group Questions

April 10, 2016

Acts 22:30-23:11

1. Read 22:30-23:5. How did Paul start out? What was Paul's reaction once he was hit? (Ezk. 13:10-16; Matt 23:27-28) How does Paul's response compare with that of Jesus? (John 18:21-23; 1 Pet. 1:23)
2. How was the High Priest supposed to act? (see Lev. 19:15)
3. How does Paul react once he realizes he has addressed the High Priest? (vs. 5; Ex. 22:28)
4. How do we contrast Paul and the High Priest?
5. What do you do when you find yourself in a "No Win Situation?"
6. What instruction and hope has Jesus given? (Matt. 10:16; Lk. 12:11-12; Jn. 16:33)
7. How do we be as shrewd as serpents, yet innocent as doves? How does Prov. 3:5-6 play into that?
8. How do we trust that the Holy Spirit will give us what we need in these "No Win Situations"?
9. Why do you think the Holy Spirit brought to mind the Resurrection beyond the division between the Pharisees and Sadducees?
10. What hope did the Pharisees have in the resurrection of the dead? (Ps. 103:15-17; Ezk. 37:1-12; Dan. 12:1-3) What hope did Paul have in Christ? (Jn 6:39-40; 11:25; 1 Cor. 15:3-8ff) What bridge might be built between these two views? What gets in the way?
11. Why did Jesus appear to Paul in vs.11? (Acts 18:9-11) How does that encourage you in your call and walk with the Lord? (Matt 28:20b; Heb. 13:5b-6)
12. Who are modern day Sadducees? How do we reach them with the Gospel?
13. How does the Resurrection of Jesus Christ give you hope? (1 Cor. 15)
14. How does this passage help you take another step in Pursuing Jesus?
15. How does this passage help equip you to serve Christ and His body?
16. How does this passage help you share Christ with others that need to know Him?
17. What is a question that was not asked about this passage that you would like to ask?

SERMON OUTLINE:

- No Win Situations Are A Reality - Acts 22:30-23:1-5
- No Win Situations Create Reliance - Acts 23:6-8
- No Win Situations Make God Our Rescuer and Redeemer - Acts 23:9-11