

Community Group Discussion Guide

Week of January 17 - January 23, 2021

Vision 2021

Acts 16:1-15 A Vision for God's Mission

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Has anything unusual or humorous ever occurred while you were traveling? Share it.

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

MAIN POINTS

Engaging in God's mission involves building bridges for the Gospel and responding to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. **Read Acts 16:1-3.** Now, **Read Galatians 2:3.** Is Paul being hypocritical in his differing approaches for Timothy and Titus? Explain your answer.
 - a. **Read Romans 14:14-17 and 1 Corinthians 8:13.** Do these passages help in understanding Paul's decision concerning Timothy? In what way?
 - b. Pastor Nick says that the only controversy he wants to be known for is the controversy of the Gospel. How does staying free of controversy help when the goal is to share the Gospel?
2. **Read Acts 16:4-10.** Discuss the importance of heeding the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
 - a. **Read Proverbs 3:5-6 and Psalm 119:105.** Do these verses give you confidence that God will provide a safe path to follow if you heed His guidance? Why or why not?
 - b. How do we assure that we are in constant communication with God so that we may know and understand His guidance? Why is communication important in our relationship with God?

- c. Has there been a time in your life when the Holy Spirit has guided you by either denying your plans or leading you? Discuss.
- 3. **Read Acts 16:11-15.** When Paul arrived in Philippi, Macedonia, did he immediately find man in his vision? How was it different? Did this deter Paul from his mission?
 - a. Even though Paul's path was altered by God, and his mission altered, how did he respond?
 - b. **Read Hebrews 12:2 and John 17:13.** What was set before Jesus through His obedience? What did Jesus ask the Father to pass on to His disciples? Do you understand this to be the end goal of the mission God has given us in our lives? Discuss.

TAKING IT HOME

Looking back at this week's study, what is important for you to remember and why?

PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS

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