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September 13, 2018

Small Group: Week 1

1. What does it mean to be called by God?
2. How was Paul called to follow Jesus and become a missionary?
3. What is the difference between Peter's conversion and Paul's conversion?
4. Was your conversion experience more like Peter or more like Paul's?
5. Do you think of your conversion as a call by God? Have you been called by God at other times in your life?
6. Do you think Paul knew everything he needed to be a missionary after the Damascus Road encounter with Jesus?
7. In what ways does God or Christ offer reassurance to the persons he calls?
8. What is God calling you to in your life right now? And how can we pray for you?

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Small Group: Week 2  
September 20, 2018

1. Paul in his early life had a foot in two world : the Jewish world and the Roman world. How do you think this affected his life and ministry?
2. What do you think about Paul's resume stated in Philippians 3: 5-6, and Galatians 1:14?
3. We first meet Saul in Acts 8:1, approving of Stephen's death. How did Saul change from that passage until Acts 9:31?
4. There is a time of in-between after Saul's call, during this time he contemplates his head knowledge, with his experiences. Have you ever had a time in-between that you consider what you have been taught, with the way life is lived?
5. Saul was very passionate and had ambitions for what he did, but God changed his direction. In what ways or in what circumstances have you struggled with ambitions for your life?
6. Who has been your Ananias in guiding you to the right path? or Who have you been Ananias to?
7. Who has been your Barnabas, an encourager in your life? or Who have you been Barnabas for?

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Small Group: Week 3  
September 27, 2018

1. Where were Jesus' followers first called Christians? What does being a Christian mean for you?
2. There is a need in Jerusalem that the church in Antioch is able to help along with other churches. This was one of the first times both Gentile and Jewish Christians help one another. What is an example of churches and Christians help one another these days?
3. Paul and Barnabas are set a part as missionaries in the midst of worshipping and fasting. Do you remember a time or worship service where you felt God's presence so powerfully?
4. Paul and Barnabas preaches about Jesus, first in the synagogue and then in the market place. Why do you think the Jewish people get mad at Paul and Barnabas?
5. The word "harmatia" is translated for sin, and means to miss the mark. How does this word explain what sin really is?
6. What did Paul and Barnabas accomplish during their first missionary journey?