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life groups

Acts 27

L I F E I S B E T T E R T O G E T H E R

Use the questions below to help extend the impact of the weekend message. They are not only useful in your LifeGroup, but try discussing with your family, friends, and co-workers for even greater understanding and spiritual growth.

1. Have you ever been sailing? What do you think it would be like to be at the mercy of the wind without any mechanical power to rely on?

In chapter 27 Paul is finally heading out of Caesarea to go to Rome, but he has a long arduous journey ahead of him. He is still a prisoner at the mercy of others who are in charge of this expedition.

2. List your Mount Rushmore (four faces for you non-history buffs) of leaders in the Bible. Why did you choose the people you chose?

When Paul starts this journey as a prisoner he certainly would not appear to be in a leadership position. Sometimes leaders look way different than what the world around us finds important.

3. What are some characteristics the world seems to think are important to lead, but do not necessarily make an effective leader?

Almost immediately and then throughout this journey we see leadership qualities in Paul's words and actions. Alan pointed out in his lesson that most all of us are called to lead in some parts of our lives.

4. Do you think of yourself as a leader? If so, in what area(s) of life are you a leader?

Alan directed our attention to 5 characteristics of effective leadership that Paul exhibited that allowed him to help "Lead Through The Storm." Let's talk a little about these 5 characteristics.

The first characteristic was to be "Trustworthy."

5. Have you ever been asked to follow the lead of someone you didn't trust? How big a role did trust play in your ability to follow/not follow them?

The second characteristic was really a two for one. Alan pointed us to our need to be both "Perceptive and Proactive."

6. What is your number one culprit of capturing your attention and making you less perceptive to spiritual things?
7. What is it that usually keeps you from taking more initiative in being proactive in leading wherever you are called to lead?

The third characteristic was "Confidence."

8. In the areas of life where you are a follower, how important is it to you is to be lead by someone who is confident in the direction they are leading you?

The fourth characteristic was another twofer, "Empowering & Exemplary."

9. How do we best empower those we are leading, while still leading by example?

The fifth and final characteristic Alan shared was our need to be "Influential."

10. We are all influenced by other people. How much thought have you put into who you have influence over?
11. Where is an area of your life that you would either like to grow in influence or use your existing influence more?