



THE BOOK OF

# ACTS

## GROUP DISCUSSION | Week 13: Unhindered

### SERIES OVERVIEW

In this series, we examine the remarkable spread of the Gospel and the Kingdom of God from Jerusalem, to Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth...and how we fit into the story God is continuing to write through His Church.

### HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE:

Think of this discussion guide as a springboard. Use what's helpful to your group!

### CONNECTION

As we wrap up this 3-month series, share a few of the highlights that have stood out to you from the Acts series.

### TRUTH

Acts 27-28 tell the story of Paul's journey to Rome and all the hardships he faced along the way. How does the story of Paul's shipwreck demonstrate the importance of trusting in God's plan in the midst of a storm?

What lessons can we learn about perseverance from Paul's journey to Rome in Acts 27-28?

In what ways does Paul's experience in the storm and shipwreck highlight the importance of community and working together to overcome adversity?

Read Acts 27:20-26. What can we learn from Paul's leadership and peaceful demeanor during the storm and shipwreck, and how can we apply these lessons to our own lives and leadership roles?

How does Paul's unwavering faith - *his fixed focus on Jesus* - serve as a model for us when we face trials and hardships in our own lives?

### APPLICATION

Philip shared a quote that said: "The testimony of a fellow traveler is the most powerful testimony of all." How have you seen that be true in your life? How does knowing someone else has experienced something similar help? Do you have an example you can share?

How can you strive to "fix your focus on Jesus?" What are practical steps you can think of to help your focus remain on Christ?

Read Acts 28:30-31. As Luke's account seems to end rather abruptly, what do these final verses tell you about Paul's commitment to the Gospel?

Philip said, "Though the chapter ends, the story continues." We then took a 30,000-foot flyover from Jesus - through church history - all the way up to NorthEast today. What jumps out to you when you consider God's big story and how we're connected to it? Why is it important to be reminded of those things? How does that fuel our urgency to continue joining God in what He's doing?

### PRAYER

Spend time praying that we would be open, receptive, faithful, and eager to join God as He is writing the next chapter of His story through us.