



Neighboring

won't you be mine

Part 3:**Neighbors around the World****Take Home:**

Neighbors aren't just those that live in our next door.

Bible Text:

Acts 16:6-10

Before You Begin:

Go around the room and ask for prayer requests. As your group is sharing, ask the following question:

Have you ever been out of the country? What was that experience like? Where is one place you would like to travel outside of the US?

Next Steps:

Help your Group identify and take next steps with Jesus. Pray with them and for them, and ask about their next steps later in the week

- Write down 1 way that you can actively pursue the Great Commission as a group. Begin steps to do it!
- Write down 1 way that you can actively pursue the Great Commission personally. Begin steps to do it!
- Pray for our overseas partners
- Commit to give above and beyond to COMO

Discussion Questions

- 1) If you had to summarize the mission left to the Church by Jesus, how would you do it? (if you need to, reference Acts 1:8 or Matthew 28:19-20)
- 2) So based on this mission, what can you surmise is on God's heart? (He wants all people to come into a relationship with Him through the gospel of Jesus Christ.)
- 3) **Read Acts 16:1-5** (and you may also want to refer to Acts 13:1-14:28). What were Paul and his companions doing? (They were taking the gospels to other regions of the world)
- 4) **Read Acts 16:6-8**. You may want to show them these places on a map.
- 5) Where was Paul attempting to go? (the short answer is East). Why? (He knew that the gospel needed to be taken to regions of the world where they had not heard. He was just attempting to do what God had commissioned him to do.)
- 6) Why could Paul not go into Asia? Was he wrong to try to take the gospel to Asia? Do they need the Gospel in Asia? Why wouldn't God let him go to Asia? (God ultimately wanted him somewhere else)
- 7) **Read Acts 16:9**. Paul was actively pursuing what was on God's heart. God then moved Paul where he needed him to be. In what ways do we avoid doing what we know is on God's heart? In what ways do we justify our being stationary.
- 8) **Read Acts 16:10**. What does Paul do when God clearly changes his direction? (He obeys immediately)
- 9) What do we know is on God's heart? How can we pursue that? When we are actively pursuing what God has instructed us to do is it possible to get ahead of God? (No way! God is sovereign enough to get us where he needs us when we are active in our pursuit of his will!)