Series: The Church in Chains, a study in Acts

**Sermon:** Paul's Stubborn Calm **Primary Text:** Acts 27-28

## **Discussion Guide:**

- What comes to mind when you hear the word "peace"?
- What does it mean to "be at peace"?
- Read Acts 27:1-8, notice what Luke says about friends in verse 3.
  - o How does Christ provide you with a family?
  - o How does that family help you have peace no matter your circumstances?
  - O Why is it hard to rely on our Christian family sometimes?
- Read Acts 27:9-26,
  - o How did Paul react being ignored?
  - O Why is it important for Christians to choose not to be offended?
  - O How is this a gift from Christ?
- Read Acts 27:27-38,
  - O Why does Paul encourage them to eat?
  - O Why is it important to be thankful in hard times?
  - O What can you always be thankful for no matter what is going on?
- Read Acts 27:39-28:10,
  - O What does Paul do for the people of Malta?
  - O Why does serving others help us in our dark times?
    - We cited surveys that talk about how generosity and service help peoples physical and mental health - why do you think this is so?
- What is keeping you from peace right now?
- Which of these 4 keys do you need to engage in right now and how?