SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

July 17 & July 20, 2025

<u>Unstoppable Week 5: Good Surprises</u> *Acts 28:1-6, Acts 14:11-15, Acts 28:7-10 1 Corinthians 1:26-29, Acts 1:6-8*

Have you ever experienced unexpected kindness from a stranger? What happened, and how did it impact you?

Read Acts 28:1-6

What stands out to you about the way the people of Malta welcomed the shipwrecked group? What do you think made their kindness "unusual"?

In what ways can the church today demonstrate this kind of "unusual kindness" (v.2)?

How do the islanders' reactions to Paul after the snakebite reflect common human tendencies (e.g., jumping to conclusions, superstition)?

How do you think Paul remained calm and focused in the face of public judgment and physical danger?

Read Acts 28:7-10

Why do you think Paul continued serving others, even after the trauma of the shipwreck and snakebite?

How did the islanders' hospitality prepare the way for Paul's ministry on the island?

How do you define hospitality? How does the biblical view differ from or go deeper than just being polite or friendly?

After the healings, the people honored Paul and his group and provided for their needs (v.10). How does generosity and hospitality come full circle in this story?

What is one takeaway from these verses for you?