

## **Reflecting on Acts 22**

### **Discussion Questions | October 16, 2022**

**Introduction:** In Acts 22, Paul recounts the story of his conversion to Christianity. From his testimony we are reminded of the simple truth that ***Jesus saves sinners by His grace and sustains saints for His glory.***

1. **Read Acts 22:1-21.** In these verses, Paul merely shares his salvation testimony. Take some time to go around the table and share how God led you to believe in Jesus for salvation. How has your conversion transformed your life?
  
2. **Read Acts 22:12-16.** Paul's testimony reminds us of the significance of Ananias, who courageously encouraged Paul in the early days of his relationship with Jesus. Who were some people that God used to encourage you in the gospel? What are some things that they said or did to keep you focused on truth and equip you for service?

3. **Read Acts 22:22-23.** Up to this point, the crowd had quietly listened to Paul, but now they wildly reject his words and clamor for his death. What specific point of Paul's speech angers the crowd? What aspects of the gospel seem most intolerable in our society and culture today? How is the gospel message actually more tolerant than much of the philosophy in our present-day culture?

4. **Read Acts 22:23-30.** Once again, Paul finds himself imprisoned and tortured for preaching the gospel. At the same time, we also find evidence of God's sustaining grace in this chaotic situation. What evidence of God's protection do we find in these verses? How has God used trials and difficulties in your life to actually bless you?