



October 15th, 2017: INSIDE OUT

OPENING

- What was something from the sermon and interview that stuck out to you? What were some of your initial reactions?

DISCUSS & APPLY

[Read Acts 11:19](#)

- By this point, how successfully had the early Christians done in fulfilling God's commandment to them in Acts 1:8? Why do you think that was? What happened that changed their actions?
- What do you think it would have felt like to be a Christian at that time? How does that compare to what it's like to be a Christian now?
- What significant experiences in your life have driven you to take your faith more seriously?
- Do you associate more with the disciples before or after Stephen was killed?

[Read Acts 11:20-21](#)

- What was significant about those men from Cyprus and Cyrene sharing the gospel with the Greeks in Antioch? What do you think compelled them to do that, especially in light of the persecution Christians were facing?
- What do you think differentiates an "insider" from an "outsider"? Who is an "insider" and an "outsider" for you? Give an example.
- Why do you think it's challenging for insiders to care about outsiders? Why do you think God wants people on the inside to care about people on the outside?

[Read Acts 11:22-26](#)

- What role do you think the grace of God plays in bringing people together across racial lines? What are some ways that racial unity shows the grace of God to the world?
- What can we learn from Barnabas when it comes to reaching out to those that are on our "outside"?

FINAL APPLICATION

What is one thing that you can do to be intentional about reaching out to those on the outside?