

## **MESSAGE REVIEW**

The Good News of Jesus Christ is news that lasts and changes our lives forever. When we find our identity first and foremost as a child of God, we can live on purpose and unashamed. Knowing who we are determines who we live for. God saved us for a purpose – to know Him and make Him known to others. The Good News isn't just a story to be told. It's a truth to be lived.

## WARM UP QUESTION

When you look in the mirror, what is the first thing that comes to mind when you think about your identity?

- **Read Acts 9:1-19.** What stands out to you about how Paul receives his original mission from God? How does God immediately and dramatically change Paul's purpose? How has God changed your identity and purpose?
- **Read Philippians 1:20-30.** What are Paul's views on living and dying according to verses 20-24? How does this differ from the world's views on life and death? From yours?
- Why is Paul convinced he will remain alive through his jail term and trial (vs. 25)? How is Paul living out what Jesus commissioned all His followers to do in Matthew 28:19-20? How are you living this out?
- As followers of Jesus, each of us has been called to know God and make Him known to others. Share about a time when knowing God better made you want to share Him more with others. How did your faith grow as a result?
- What will inevitably happen to us if we are growing in our relationship with Jesus (vs. 28-30)? What is the difference between suffering and suffering for Christ? Have you ever experienced the privilege of suffering for Christ? How does being in a community of other believers help you as you face opposition or suffer?

## RESPOND

What have you learned about God from His Word? How is He asking you to apply it to your life? When will you do it?

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