

# **Episode 14: To Be Continued**

## Acts Chapters 27 & 28

Scott Merriner – August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Small Group Discussion Questions

### **Getting Started**

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

### Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

#### **Scripture Reading**

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Take some time to look up and read out loud together: Acts Chapters 27 & 28

- 1. What did Paul warn would happen after he had finished his fast in Chapter 27?
- 2. What miracle happened to Paul after he had been shipwrecked?

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? How do the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 3. In 2 Corinthians 11:25 Paul tells us that he was actually shipwrecked three times over his missionary journeys. As you think about the dangers associated with his missionary endeavors, why do you think Paull was so deeply motivated to keep going?
- 4. In what ways does your desire for self-preservation hinder you in being obedient to what Jesus has commanded of you?
- 5. Mark 16:15-19 gives us a very different "great commission from Jesus. How does Paul's experience on the island of Malta give us some clarity of Mark 16?
- 6. Paul quotes from Isaiah 6:9-10 in Acts 28:26-27. With what you know about the Jewish world in which Isaiah was speaking (just before the Babylonian captivity), how does this apply to the Jews of Paul's day who won't believe the Gospel?
- 7. Acts 28:28 is a passage of Scripture that is actually talking about you specifically. How is that passage about you and how does that show you God's compassion for you?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

8. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

\*\* Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today \*\*