



Discipleship Guide Acts 24

This guide was created to help you engage with the book of Acts and create deeper engagement with our worship services. Each week this guide will encourage you to reflect on two primary questions using the framework of Up (with God), In (with church) and Out (with neighbors). As we use this guide to reflect on the scriptures and your relationship with God, each other and your neighbors, consider pausing for a moment in quiet before jumping into the questions.

Weekly Questions:

- How is God getting my attention? For help, think about these areas:
 - How are you living up with God?
 - How are you living in community with other followers of Jesus?
 - How are you living out on mission with your neighbors?
- What are you going to do about it?

Acts 24 Questions:

NT Wright asks in his book *Surprised by Hope*: “What are we waiting for? And what are we going to do about it in the meantime?”

- When we say we have hope in God, what do we mean? What does hope for the future and hope for today mean to you?
- How does that hope shape how you live in your life?

Amidst trial after trial, Paul constantly points people to Jesus above everything else.

- What might the tone of our politics, work, neighborhoods, community and schools be like if we lived like the most important thing we could do is point people to Jesus?
- We often fear change. Can you describe a time when God inspired you to change and it was actually the most faithful way you could follow Jesus with your life?

Character is more important than position or power. Is your life and leadership a fountain in relationships or a drain?

For our kids (and adults too!): Where is one relationship that needs to change so that you can grow in grace and hope rather than fear?

After reflection, what are you going to do about what you learned this week?