

## **Questions for your family devotions or Grace Group:**

Read Acts 26:16-18. Please share what stood out and ministered to you most from this message?

In Acts 26:16 the Lord declared to Paul that he was to BE a **servant/minister** and a **witness**. It was stated that the word 'servant' (*hypēretēs*) can also mean an 'under-rower'. What does this say about what God is calling us to be? Is there a difference between BEING a 'witness' and 'witnessing'? If so, what is that difference?

After talking briefly about Samson, it was mentioned that sin 'binds', 'blinds', and 'makes life a grind'. What are some ways that people are 'blinded' by sin? **2 Corinthians 4:3-4** 

Discuss the statement, "We can do more than pray – but we can't do anything until we first pray." Can you share a time when you saw a prayer be answered? What was the result in your own heart when you saw that?

When asked by one of his seminary students how one could defend the Scriptures against unbelievers, skeptics, and cynics, Charles Spurgeon famously replied, "How do you defend the Scriptures? Son, that's like asking how to defend a lion. Just let it out of its cage. It'll defend itself." Why is this true or not true? Can you share some specific Scriptures that come to your mind when you think of the awesomeness of God's Word?

## FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN IN PGC CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES:

At the 9am service, the kids are learning about the spiritual practice of rest. In **Matthew 14**, Jesus spends time with the Father. How important do you think rest is to God? Bible memory verse: "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." **Exodus 33:14** 

At the 10:45am service, the kids studied the account in Numbers 21, where God sent snakes to punish the people for complaining and then had Moses raise up a snake image on a pole to heal them. Why did God let the snakes bite the Israelites? How could the consequences of our sins lead us to turn back to God? How does Jesus heal us?