When God Calls Acts 16

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Uncharted Series

Reflect Realize Respond

Outline: Recap Points to Ponder Questions to draw out understanding.

REFLECT

The Bible says that "A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps." (Proverbs 16:9). This is one of the challenging parts of the human condition. God expects us to make our own plans. It is a gift that God has given us. But we need to remember that God has His own plans as well. And God's will is better and higher than others. The apostle Paul learned this in Acts 16. His plan was to go to Asia with the gospel of Jesus. But the Lord directed Him to Europe instead. And what a work the Lord did!

REALIZE

1. Follow God's call

• Scripture Reference: Acts 16

- Questions for Reflection
 - o How do I understand God's calling on my life?

2. Ministry is both beautiful and challenging

- Scripture Reference: Acts 16, 2 Corinthians 4:7-12
- Questions for Reflection
 - O What ministry has God invited me into?

3. Be saved

- Scripture Reference: Acts 16, Romans 10:9-13
- Questions for Reflection
 - O How does my salvation change my behavior?

4. Stand your ground

- Scripture Reference: Acts 16, Psalm 62:1-2
- Questions for Reflection
 - O How are you standing your ground in this season of life?

Optional Follow-up Questions:

- What makes you say that?
- How do you feel about that?
- How would you explain your answer to a non-Christian friend or neighbor?
- Why did God design it to work that way? Why not just do (whatever else) instead?
- What would you say to someone who disagrees with that?
- Why do we really have to do it like that? Why can't we just go (some other route) instead?