

Adult and Youth Bible Study (Sunday School)

Welcome Home: Connecting and Engaging People in Your Church

Going Out

The Point: Engaging others with the gospel means going where they are.

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~The Passage: Acts 16:6-15~

Where do you feel most safe?

Acts 16:6-8 (NKJV)

- ⁶ Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia.
- ⁷ After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit did not permit them.
- ⁸ So passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas.

When have you been thankful God told you “no”?

Acts 16:9-10 (NKJV)

- ⁹ And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."
- ¹⁰ Now after he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go to Macedonia, concluding that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them.

Who in our community might be saying, “Come here and help us!” today?

Acts 16:11-15 (NKJV)

- ¹¹ Therefore, sailing from Troas, we ran a straight course to Samothrace, and the next *day* came to Neapolis,
- ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is the foremost city of that part of Macedonia, a colony. And we were staying in that city for some days.
- ¹³ And on the Sabbath day we went out of the city to the riverside, where prayer was customarily made; and we sat down and spoke to the women who met *there*.
- ¹⁴ Now a certain woman named Lydia heard *us*. She was a seller of purple from the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God. The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul.
- ¹⁵ And when she and her household were baptized, she begged *us*, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." So she persuaded us.

How would you describe God’s part and our part in leading others to Christ?

How can the truths of these verses help our group be more welcoming?