Our Lady of Grace Bible Study for Adults
Prayer & Small Group Questions

Session 8
Missionary Journeys

Light the Way

Daily Prayer

Day 1: Acts 16:25-34

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. You are with Paul in prison, singing along, when the earthquake hits. What do you see, smell, hear, or feel?
- Grace Desired: _____

Day 2: Acts 16:25-34

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. Paul is yelling out to the guard, telling him not to kill himself for surprisingly, Paul has not left. What are your thoughts about how all of this has unfolded?
- Grace Desired: _____

- RECALL that you are in the presence of God.
- READ the passage prayerfully.
- THINK about what grace you desire.
- SPEAK to God about your desire.
- LISTEN to God's response.

Day 3: Acts 17:10-12

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. You are with Paul in Thessalonica and as you leave for Beroea, a mob is trying to reach you. What do you see, smell, hear, or feel?
- Grace Desired: _____

Day 4: Acts 17:10-12

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. You arrive in Beroea and the people there are receptive to your message of Good News. How does this make you feel?
- Grace Desired: _____

Day 5: Acts 17:22-28

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. You are with Paul in Athens at the Aeropagus, a hill where many can hear him. What do you see, smell, hear, or feel?
- Grace Desired: _____

Day 6: Acts 17:22-28

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's help to imagine yourself in the scene, as if you are really there. What do you think about what Paul is saying to his audience?
- Grace Desired: _____

Questions for Small Group Discussion

1. When you think of the word, "missionary," what comes to mind? Do you think this is an accurate description of what a missionary was back in Paul's time? What about today? Do you know any present-day missionaries? How would you describe them?

2. While Paul and Barnabas are witnessing to the Gentiles in Lystra, the people misunderstand the miraculous healing of a crippled man. **Read Acts 14:8-18**. What is the mistake the Gentiles make? How do Paul and Barnabas respond? Have you been in, or witnessed, situations where people attribute God's provision to another source? On the other hand have you been in, or witnessed, situations where people attribute to God things that are not His doing? How did you respond?

3. Paul and his companions are zealous for spreading the Gospel to as many people as possible! And yet, read **Acts 16:6-10**. Have there been times when you have felt God calling you to do something, only to be held back? How did this make you feel? What can you learn from Paul's experience during his second mission?

4. Looking only at the headings within your Bible, flip through **Acts Chapters 16-20** and document all of the places where Paul traveled during his second mission. Do any of these places sound familiar? Why? Now re-read **Acts 9:10-19**. What did God tell Ananias that Paul, then Saul, would do?