

May 31st, 2026

Sermon: Acts: The Spirit and The Story | Come Over Here

Main text: Acts 16:6-10

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION REFLECTIONS & QUESTIONS...

Key Reflections/Quotes:

Trusting God's Redirection

- Paul's plans were good, yet God interrupted them.
- Following Jesus sometimes means surrendering personal ambitions and preferences.

God's Sovereignty and Human Participation

- God directs His mission, yet He chooses to involve His people.
- Believers are invited to participate rather than merely observe.

Gospel Urgency

- The Macedonian call demonstrates the desperate need for the gospel.
- Christians are called not only to live differently but also to speak the truth of Christ.

Ordinary Faithfulness

- God often works through consistent obedience rather than extraordinary accomplishments.
- Mission is less about where we go and more about our attentiveness to God's leading.

Key Quotes:

"Jesus directs His mission."

"God's story includes you, but it is not about you. It is about Him."

"You deeply matter. You're just not the central character."

"The world's greatest need is Jesus."

"Jesus advances His mission through ordinary obedience."

"God is more committed to our sanctification than our comfort."

"Mission is not necessarily going somewhere new. It's being attentive to the opportunities that the Spirit leads us into where we are."

"God has positioned you where you are not by accident, but by assignment."

"The question isn't whether God has called you into mission. The question is whether you recognize the mission field you already walk into every day."

Key Questions:

1. Can you think of a time when God interrupted or redirected your plans? Looking back, what did you learn about His character and purposes through that experience?
2. Why do you think God sometimes withholds clear direction and asks us to walk by faith one step at a time, as He did with Paul and his companions?
3. Who are the "Macedonians" in your life right now people God may be prompting you to notice, serve, encourage, or share the gospel with?
4. What area of your life are you finding most difficult to surrender to God's direction? What would trusting Him more fully look like in that situation?
5. How might your workplace, neighborhood, school, sports team, or family become a mission field this week? What is one practical step you can take to live as a witness for Christ there?

