



REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

***"Let the Trials Begin" Acts 21:1-36**

The trial of embracing your calling. Vv. 1-13

The trial of living in your calling in community. Vv. 14-26

The danger of missing God's call. Vv. 27-36

To seize God's call, we must be prepared for the cost.

1. Do you feel that you understand God's general call on your life as a disciple and how would you describe it? See Luke 9:23-24; Phil. 3:7-8. Do you also have an understanding of God's specific call for you? Describe it.
2. What are the benefits and costs of living in community? Why was it so important to Paul to show his solidarity with the Jerusalem believers? What are some things that you need to submit to for the sake of community?
3. Is there anything that God is saying to you that you are ignoring? (Hebrews 4:6-13) How does the warning of what happened with the Jews who rejected Jesus call to them, challenge you to be responsive to God? What is your next step of obedience?
4. Ask yourself, in what ways am I making a difference for eternity? Make a list of these ways and share them with someone. Are there things that need to change in your life this year?

Memory Verse

Then Paul answered, "Why are you weeping and breaking my heart? I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus." Acts 21:13

*20th message in the Acts series, by Pastor Tim Hawks.
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