

Sermon Text: Acts 23:12-35

Sermon Notes:

Community Group:

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Prayer Requests:

Lesson Topic:

Scripture References:

Lesson Notes:

What will I do as a result of our study?

Bible Reading: Acts 23:12-35

Questions for Reflection:

How did the Lord use others to protect Paul? How does this make me feel about the Lord's care for me?

If I had been in Paul's situation, how would I have felt?

Where have I been persecuted in the past? How did I respond?

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Bible Reading: **Ephesians 4**

Questions for Reflection:

Each of us has a unique walk. Our walk reveals a lot about who we are: think of a shearer, a fencer, a stockman. It is no mistake when Paul starts to apply our identity as God's people in practical terms, that he chooses the word 'walk' (4:1; 4:17; 5:2; 5:8; 5:15). In fact, the whole focus of Ephesians 4-6 is to apply to our daily walk all that we are—our identity—as we have learned in Ephesians 1-3.

We are often not conscious of how we walk. This day, try to be self-conscious and self-reflective about your walk. How is it displaying your unique identity as one of Jesus' followers?

Look through the eleven commands in verses 25-32. Pick one that is particularly relevant to you. Using the lens of verses 22-24, unpack what this new walk might look like.

What was the old way? How has God's Word renewed your mind in this area? What is the new way of walking?

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Bible Reading: **Ephesians 5**

Questions for Reflection:

Why, when God's love is so significant in our lives, do you think we chase after counterfeit and perverted loves? How might we walk better in thankfulness for that love?

What is the difference between 'walking' as children of light or being obnoxious? What is the point of the walk of the children of light?

Take one of those '-ing' words of verses 19-20, and spend some time writing down what that might look like for you as you spend time with God this week.

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