



UNLIMITED

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

WEEK 1

These questions are designed to extend the impact of the weekend message. Use them to go deeper in your personal study time, with your family, and/or with a group.

This series from Acts 9-15 tells the story of Jesus' first disciples learning that the gospel is for all. It cannot be limited by race, by tradition, or even by persecution. It calls the church in every generation to embrace the unlimited mission of God.

- 1 Acts 9-15 is the church *going off-limits*.** These chapters record the story of the early church growing to understand and embrace the expansiveness of God's mission. It meant overcoming fear, opposition, religious tradition, and racism. What are some of the "limits" Christians deal with today when it comes to reaching the world for Christ?
- 2 Salvation can *reach anyone*.** Read Acts 9:1-6. Paul is an example of God's patience (see 1 Timothy 1:15-16). God refuses to give up on anyone. Share stories with your group of examples of people today that almost no one thought would ever be reached with the gospel.
- 3** People do not get God's attention because they are good; He gets their attention because He is good. How does this remind us that salvation from start to finish is a work of God? Have you put limits on who you think Jesus could reach? If so, what needs to change in your heart?
- 4 Salvation can *unite anybody*.** Read Acts 9:10-17. Ananias' own eyes were opened to the extremity of God's grace, and of the common necessity every person has for it. Like Ananias, we have all doubted the reach of the grace of God. But it is that very grace that reaches across walls and builds bridges to all people. Why is that so? How does our common need for grace transcend our differences and make us family?
- 5 Salvation can *go anywhere*.** Read Acts 9:15 again. The early church had a hard time accepting the Gentile mission, but salvation can go anywhere. What people groups do you think are hardest to reach for Christ? How can the church today show the world that the gospel is for every nation, tribe, and tongue?
- 6 Salvation can *endure anything*.** Read Acts 9:16, 20-29. We don't think of "chosen" and "suffer" as going together. Why was suffering a part of Paul's call? How does our suffering for the gospel impact our credibility?
- 7** Paul did what he did because he saw what he saw. He could go through anything because his vision of Jesus was worth everything. Have you ever had a "road to Damascus" moment that changed everything for you? Share what you learned from that divine interruption with your group.
- 8** To see past all the limits we sometimes place on salvation we must be blinded by the reality of Christ. How can we keep the vision of Jesus fresh in our lives today?