

The last half of the book of Acts reveals the amazing story of how the Jesus' community became a global movement, and it reveals keys to how it has remained so. There is so much to apply as we explore how we can "proclaim the kingdom of God with all boldness and without hindrance."

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. 1 Start with this get to know you question: What was your first job? (Bonus points if anyone has worked with leather, as Paul likely did.)

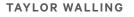
2 Read Acts 18:1-5. We see here that God uses every part of our life. There is no compartmentalizing work or school or hanging out from God's mission. Do you struggle to feel "on mission" every where you go? What settings is it harder for you to speak up about your faith?

3 Read Acts 18:6-8. In Acts 18, transformation takes place in a living room, not a lecture hall. Are there ways you've seen God work in homes to reach people for Christ? How could God use your hospitality to reach out and care for others?

4 Read Acts 18:7-9. When we are on mission, God answers every fear in our hearts. God knew that Paul needed courage and comfort. What of God's words to Paul do you find most comforting? What do you find hardest to understand or believe?

5 God sends the same way He saves: with His presence. Read 1st Corinthians 1:30 and 2nd Corinthians 13:14. How do these verses remind us of God's presence in both saving and sending? Why does God want to remind us that He's with us in every moment?

6 Finish by praying together that God would bring courage and comfort to all of your group through the Holy Spirit. Ask God to give you boldness to share your faith and to love without reservation or fear. Pray that Jesus would remind you daily that His Spirit is present and active.



Week 4 Unhindered

