



God's Guidance In Risk Taking

Acts 25

Sunday, November 26, 2017

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3. God gives ANOTHER AUDIENCE. (13-27)

Paul's question: *"How can I use this situation to proclaim the good news of Jesus?"*

When we are faithful, God will continue to use us
TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.

Do you trust your King?
Will you risk for your King?

TAKE RISKS for the mission of Jesus and
TRUST HIM in your confusion and suffering.

As the story of Paul's imprisonment progresses, he finds himself, yet again, before governors and kings. God guides Paul as he risks his life to move the Gospel forward to Rome.

In Acts 25, God gives Paul 3 things:

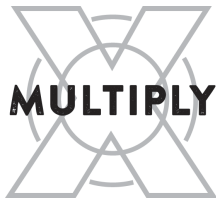
1. God gives PROTECTION. (1-5)

No matter what people have planned, God's plan
WILL ALWAYS PREVAIL!

2. God gives A WAY FORWARD. (6-12)

Where do I need to trust God in my
CONFUSION and SUFFERING?

Take creative risks for the mission of Jesus, even when you
DON'T KNOW THE OUTCOME.



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Growth Group Week 9 of 9

Connecting Together (30 min)

This is the last official week of Growth Groups!
Take time tonight as a group to decide December plans.
Here are some suggestions:

1. Have a Christmas party and invite the neighbors.
2. Go caroling in your neighborhood or at a Senior community.
3. Find a way to serve your community in tangible ways.

Talk it out in your group and find a way to stay connected this next month.

Grappling Together (30 min)

1. When God's Word is preached, God speaks to His people!
How did God speak to you in the message this week?
2. How does God protect Paul?
What does this show us about God's providence and plans?
3. Jesus says in Matthew 16 that his plan is to suffer, die, and rise again.
Why does Peter rebuke Jesus? What is Jesus' response and why?

4. What is an area of your life where you are confused and suffering?
How can you allow your group to care for you in that hard place?
5. What is one way you can take a creative risk for the mission of Jesus?
Brainstorm as a group!
6. When we are faithful, God will give us an audience.
Do you believe that? Do you trust your King? Will you risk for your King?

Praying Together (30 min)

- Ask for personal needs and how your group can meet them.
- Ask for personal prayer requests.
- Pray that we would all be risk takers for the sake of the Gospel moving forward in our communities.
- Pray that we would allow others in our lives to walk through our confusion and suffering with us.
- Pray that we would be faithful in the opportunities God gives us.
That we, like Paul, would speak boldly, and think of Jesus' mission before our own safety and comfort.
- Pray that we would take risks for the Gospel and trust God in our confusion and suffering.