

Four Big Words

Main Scripture: Act 28:1-6

Additional Scriptures: 1st Corinthians 15:1-4, Acts 3:19, Acts 17:30-31, Acts 28:31, Acts 2:47, Acts 4:8, Acts 5:4-10, Acts 12:23, Acts 13:9-10, Acts 28:11-15, Acts 2:44, Acts 4:32, Acts 9:1-17, Acts 28:24, 1st Corinthians 9:19-23

Hearing: Discussion Questions

- **Gospel.** Pastor Mike said, “Don’t roll your eyes at the beauty of the Gospel.” How do we as Christians (especially those who have been following Jesus for some time now) keep our hearts soft towards the Gospel and its importance?
- **God** is the main character of the story... and you’re not. If we are honest with ourselves, where in your life do you have the hardest time letting God in?
- **Read Acts 12:23.** Herod fell down dead because he did not give God the glory. You exist to glorify God – you are here for His glory, not the other way around. Where do you have the hardest time giving God glory? Or another way to put it, where is it easiest for you to receive glory and praise in your life? Where’s the line when it comes to receiving praise vs. giving it back to God?
- When you are filled with love for someone, it does something to you. It changes you. Share some stories from your life or someone you now that has done crazy things because of their love for God.
- **Brothers.** “If God gives us grace, then we need to give it to those around us.” Think of one or two people in your life that you have a hard time dealing with. How could you show them grace and love that doesn’t make sense outside of your relationship with Jesus?
- “There are some ways that you will never be all who God wants you to be unless you are with your brothers and sisters in the faith.” Do you agree? Why or why not?
- **Some.** **Read 1st Corinthians 9:19-23.** Only some will accept the message. Paul became everything to every man so that he could win some. Where in your life could you apply 1st Cor. 9:19-23? Who could you be reaching that you are currently not?
 - How does it change your perspective if even Paul preached and evangelized with the idea that only some would come to the faith?

Doing: Application

- Take time this week and reflect on the four big words in Acts: Gospel, God, Brothers, and Some. Where is your heart the softest? Where do you need to grow the most? Find three times this week where you can exercise your faith in the area that you feel is the weakest.