



Living Water
Church

Diving Deeper: A Gather Group Discussion Guide
or Personal Study Guide



The Real Reason

Introduction: Paul goes to Jerusalem to deliver the good news to his fellow brothers about the work God was doing with the Gentiles. While in Jerusalem Paul is flogged because of an uproar caused by some of the Jews concerning the law. Paul gets an opportunity to give his testimony in hopes his Jewish brothers would understand the Real Reason.

Text: Acts 22:25-30

Discussion:

1. Icebreaker: Tell of a time when you have been wrongfully accused? How did you feel?
2. Paul understood the prophecy spoken by Agabus. Why did Paul continue to Jerusalem after hearing the prophets response?
3. How did James and the others respond to the praise report Paul delivered to them concerning the Gentiles?
4. Why was James concerned for Paul's safety? What plan did James share with Paul on what he should do?
5. Paul had no personal conviction to continue practicing the tradition of his fellow Jewish brothers. Why do you think Paul followed through with James' request?
6. Read 1 Corinthians 9:19 How can this help you in your focus and Christian walk?
7. Paul felt complete freedom because of the change Jesus made in his life. Have you experienced this type of freedom?
8. Read Acts 22:1-21 Paul gives his personal testimony to the crowd. Why is it important to never forget what it's like to be lost?
9. Paul understood the Real Reason and how the gospel changed his life and Paul wanted to share this message with others. What is the Real Reason you do what you do? (work, play sports, serve in a ministry, sing)

Moving Forward:

Reflect on how God has changed your life! Don't allow yourself to be side tracked by worldly things that cause you to forget where you once were and the Real Reason you do what you do. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Obey His leading and prompting. Read from the Word of God and allow the Spirit to transform your mind to think more like Christ. Have your heart and mind set on things above. Walk as a child of God that is greatly loved by your Father in heaven. Pray daily to hear from the Lord.