



Grace Group Notes

To be used in your Grace Group this week...

“Courage for the Task”

Week of June 9, 2019

Welcome

Let's get to know each other. You can use this question during your meal together.

- How do you say goodbye to people you love? (Quick and painless? Long drawn out? Weeping and wailing? Like it's no big deal? Other?)

Worship

Let's enter the presence of God together.

Songs led by worship leader or worship resource or read Psalm 13 -slowly- and note the shift in attitude from verse 1 to last verse. “Sing to the Lord” even if it is just spoken words.

Word

Let's interact with God's Word.

Read Acts 20

1. *What characterized Paul's ministry so far? Why does he emphasize how he lived among them (v. 17-21)?
2. What kinds of hardships has Paul already encountered? How would you explain what motivates Paul to keep on (compare 20:24 with Philippians 3:7-8)?
3. What does it mean to “keep watch” (v. 28; see 1 Timothy 4:11-16)?
4. Some people viewed the office of elder as a way of gaining power and wealth (see 1 Tim. 6:6-10; 1 Peter 5:3). How does Paul oppose that idea here?
5. Who makes up the “flock” for whom you are responsible? In what specific way can you shepherd them?
6. Complete this sentence: “The one thing I must accomplish at any cost is _____.” How can this group help you?

Witness

Let's focus on who we can reach out to.

Who needs our encouragement this week?

*Questions adapted from The Serendipity Bible, Zondervan Pub.