

August 31-September 6, 2008

That's My Story and I'm Sticking To It

Ice Breaker Share your expectations for safety in life? How are your plans for the future dependent upon these expectations?

Read Read Acts 26 together.

- Discuss**
1. Discuss Paul's defense before King Agrippa. What stands out to you?
 2. Acts 26 marks the third time that Luke has recounted the story of Paul's conversion (cf. Acts 9:3-8; Acts 22:6-11). What new information is introduced in Acts 26?
 3. How does obedience function into Paul's defense?
 4. Discuss Acts 26:32. Why did Paul appeal to the emperor? What might have happened to Paul if he had not appealed to the emperor?
 5. Discuss the sermon. What points stood out to you? Were you left with any questions?
 6. What type of safety does the gospel promise? What types of safety are not promised? How does the "safety" of the gospel relate to suffering?
 7. How can the church let go of its desires for safety? How can you let go of your desires for safety?

Pray Close by sharing prayer requests and praying for each other. Pray that our church would allow God to determine its understanding of success and safety. Ask that we would be encouraged to be more bold for the sake of the the gospel.