



GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF JULY 23, 2023 | SUMMER ROAD TRIP: TELL THE STORY

WARM-UP QUESTION

Who do you know in your life who is a great story teller? What makes them great?

DISCUSS

Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's message. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read Acts 17:16-21

- Why was Paul deeply troubled when he arrived in Athens?
- Do you see the idols of our day and does it grieve you?
- How did Paul turn these emotions of discouragement based on what he saw into positive action?
- Even though the philosophers listening to Paul were skeptical up front, how would you describe their readiness to hear from Paul in verses 19-21?

Read Acts 17:22-31

- How does Paul contextualize the gospel and connect who God is with who the philosophers were worshipping?
- How would you describe God to someone and tell the story of his grace for all people and for your own life?
- While the message never changes, sometimes the method in which we share the gospel changes. Can you think of different contexts in which the way you connect with others about Jesus may vary?
- Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23. How does Paul strike a balance between meeting people where they are and obeying Jesus as he shares the gospel?

Read Acts 18:9-11

- How does God encourage Paul in the vision?
- Are you aware that people around you need to experience the love and power that Jesus offers? And do you believe God wants you to use you to do it?
- What's the biggest challenge you face in telling your story with someone?
- Who are three people in your life that don't know Jesus? Pray for opportunities to share your faith with them.

RESPOND

- Based on what you just discussed, what do you think God is prompting you to do in response? When will you do it?
- Pray together as a group for the specific goals or areas of struggle that came up in your discussion. Thank God for revealing more of who He is, and ask Him to help you apply what He's prompting you to do this week.