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Topic: Transformative and Faith-Walk Service Commitment Book Theme: Growth Of The Church Chapters: Acts 9, Aug. 2nd, 2023

11am Bible Study: Pastor Will Lloyd, IV, M.T.S.

Central Text: Acts 9:15, NKJV, 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel."

1.It Is Hard To Remain In Unbelief In The Face Of So Many Proof's To Jesus' Existence. Once We Believe Jesus Exists, The Proper Response To Belief Is To Ask, "What Do You Want Me To Do?" - Acts 9:1-9

Question for Dialogue - What the Lord asks us to do isn't always easy, but obeying Him does provide peace, joy, and contentment knowing that you're in Jesus' will no matter what comes as a result. How can family and friends help us during times when we're struggling with the request that Jesus has placed on our life?

2.Always Pour Into Those God Leads Us To; For Those We Invest In Could Become Giants In Their Service To Jesus. Some People Will Remain Blind Unless We Obediently Share Jesus With Them. - Acts 9:10-19

Question for Dialogue - There's a difference between a Follower/Disciple of Jesus and a Christian. People do all sorts of evil things under the covering of "Christianity." But when we're a follower of Jesus, we do what Jesus did and there's no uncertainty toward His actions. As a result, since we know what Jesus did, what are some daily practices to make sure we act on the things Jesus wants us to act on, and how He wants us to act on them?

- Remember that as Jesus sent out the Apostles, He sends us out daily. **Matthew 10:1,5-6**
- Be cordial and make it a point to spark conversations with people. God may open a door, and when He does, allow the Spirit to lead. **Matthew 10:19**
- Don't fear man in our interactions with them. Matthew 10:28-31
- Don't be fooled to believe that we will see peace in society. Jesus testified that He didn't come to bring peace. **Matthew 10:34**

3. Casually Tap Int	o Resources Tha	t Will Help Us G	ive An Answer Fo	or The Faith We	Embrace - Acts 9	9:20-22, and
1 Peter 3:15						

Question for Dialogue: We should be prepared to answer the question of why we believe what we believe without getting frustrated. Scripture teaches we must do this with gentleness, meekness, and respect. Jesus can defend Himself, so don't take on that battle. What are the proofs that you have for Jesus' existence, and his death, burial, and resurrection?

4. Actively Sharing Jesus To Those Who	Openly Reject Him V	Vill Not Be Popular A	nd Can Result In Persecution	۱
Acts 9:23-30				

Question for Dialogue: What should we do if we're ever persecuted for sharing and witnessing our faith in Jesus?

Question For Dialogue: Transformed lives by the power of the Holy Spirit are one of the primary tools God uses to transform other lives. How can the church actively experience more Holy Spirit-led transformed lives, so those same individuals can be used to go out and be used by God to help transform more lives?

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