

Sermon Discussion Guide

July 5 & 6, 2024 "Paul"

Galatians 1:11-16

In our first sermon series of the summer we'll be looking at a new hero in the Bible each week. What can we learn from these people and how can they help us live a more faithful and loving life? Join us each week to find out!

PRAY & CONNECT

Open in prayer and invite the Holy Spirit into your conversation. Ask God for wisdom and discernment and trust him to guide you. Take time to recap the message or view it on **HopeOnline.tv**. Did you have any "ah-ha" moments where you felt convicted, compelled, or inspired during the sermon? What's been on your mind this week? Have you been able to apply the message to your everyday life?

GROW

Read Galatians 1:11-16 - "Paul Called by God"

• What did you learn about Paul from this weekend's message? What was his background? How was he called to be an apostle? What makes him an unlikely leader in the early church?

Read Philippians 4:12-13 - "Thanks for Their Gifts"

- How was Paul transformed? Who was he before Jesus? Who did he become after meeting Jesus? How has Jesus transformed you so far? Who were you before meeting Jesus? How are you different now? How is Jesus currently changing you?
- What identified Paul? What identifies you? How does Jesus transform the way we see ourselves? How have you seen yourself in the past? How is that different now?

Read Acts 9:1-19 - "Saul's Conversion"

- When was the last time you were surprised by God? How did he call you to faith?
- Who is it that you struggle to have room for? How does God see people differently than us? How does Jesus transform our failures? Have you struggled with failures in the past? What does Jesus say about our failures?

Read <u>Romans 7:24-25</u> - "The Law and Sin" Read <u>Ephesians 2:8-9</u> - "Made Alive in Christ"

• How does Jesus transform our purpose? What is your purpose in life? Have you discovered it? Where is God calling you to reach out to others?

APPLY

Share with your Hope Group about how God first called you to follow Jesus. Talk about the ways God is still calling you to use your gifts to reach out to the world around you to share his everlasting love.

