

Acts Week 13/ Family Convo Sheet

As we go through the book of Acts we learn a lot about the early Christian community, the work of God's spirit through his followers, and the communities of people committed to him. As readers of this book, and modern followers of His way, it can be helpful to take time and process together the ways the Holy Spirit is still working in our communities.

Check in on everyone's week:

- What's been good/ hard?
- Has anyone seen God move in cool ways this week?
- Who has experienced the spirit of God doing something cool or interesting this week?

Pray - (At COW we always like to pray before reading the Bible together as a community! Pray that God will help us to understand his word, and challenge us to follow him better!)

Read Acts 27-28 Together as a family! (This is a big chunk, if it's too much, break it up across a couple readings) Sometimes popcorn reading can be a fun way to break it up. Make sure everyone feels invited to stop the reading and share insights. Parents, feel free to stop the reading and check for understanding... What is going on here? What do you think this tells us about God? etc.)

Simple Questions (Acts focuses so much on the work of the Holy Spirit, we want to help students process the work of God's spirit by exploring how the spirit moves us to right thinking, right feeling, and right action.)

- What should we **think about** having read this section of Acts?
- What **emotions** might we feel if we were in the same situation as Paul?
- What **action** should we be encouraged to take having read this?

Watch Video #12 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xfAJ09psloU>

Discuss Sam's insights

- Was there anything that Sam shared that stood out to you? Explain why!

This week Sam wrapped up our Acts teaching by helping us to see God's providence in leading Paul through some hard moments on his journey to Rome

- How did we see God work powerfully in this section of Acts?
- Why was it important that Paul minister to the people of Rome? What impact did Paul have?

- In this section we see Paul clearly believing that God keeps his promises. How does this impact his faith?
 - What are some other places in scripture where God keeps his promises?
 - What are some of the promises God has made to YOU?
 - How has your family seen God keep promises?
- How did Paul keep faith, even when he was faced with hard times?
- Where was God during Paul's hard times?
- How can your family keep faith in Jesus during your own hard times?
- How can you be reminded of God's presence during this challenging season?

Take a final moment to pray & ask that God would help your family remember that no matter what, God is still with you!