

Small Group Discussion Guide

Pray & Go: Week 8

The Harvest is Great

Scripture: Acts 16:11–15

Big Idea: We are called to go and join God in the harvest, because God is already at work preparing hearts.

Icebreaker

Share about a favorite snack or appetizer. Is there a proper way to prepare it? How does the right timing make a difference?

Discussion Questions

1. From the sermon, we learned that the harvest is not the problem—it's the lack of workers that's the issue. Why do you think many Christians hesitate to step into the harvest field?
2. Lydia's story shows us that God was already preparing her heart before Paul even spoke. How does this insight help you with starting conversations with non-believers?
3. Like popcorn, people's hearts "pop" at different times. Since the results are in God's hands, not ours, how might this free you from fear of rejection or discouragement when reaching out to others?
4. Paul looked for places where people were already gathered (i.e. the riverside) in order to share the love of Jesus. This action of *going* is vital, because people today do not naturally think of a church building as a place they would step into without an invitation. Where are the "gathering places" in our community? Which ones are already part of your daily or weekly rhythms?

Application & Prayer

- Think about someone in your life who may be "spiritually receptive" right now. What would it look like for you to pray for them, encourage them, or share a simple testimony with them this week? How can you create the space/time for that to happen naturally?

- The Pray & Go Initiative is an opportunity for each of us to join God in the harvest in a practical way. Commit together to team up and take sets of 10 houses. Determine a time we can go together.
- Close in prayer for courage to step into the harvest, for receptive hearts, and for God to bring fruit through our simple acts of obedience.