



Acts: The Birth of the Church in the World - Week 14: Thy Will Be Done: Acts 21: 1-16

Discussion Questions for October 11th, 2026

1. (IceBreaker) Pastor Shaen talked about getting a Music degree and getting his first job. What was your first job as an adult? Had you expected to get that job?
2. Take a minute and recap where we are in the book of Acts. Which missionary journey is this (1st, 2nd, or 3rd)? Where was Paul in the last chapter? How is he traveling? What are some common activities along the way?
3. **Main Idea: Love People, But Love Jesus More.**
4. How important is it for you to have Christian friends?
5. Imagine two scenarios, one in which you have essentially all non-Christian friends, and one in which all your friends are Christian. What are the drawbacks of either scenario?
6. Who in the group can tend to be a people-pleaser? Where does people-pleasing most often compete with obedience to Jesus? (family, friendships, work, finances, reputation, elsewhere)
7. Pastor Shaen said, "Following Jesus is costly, but not following Jesus is even more costly." How do you understand that statement? Give some examples that indicate this is true.
8. What if you said, like Paul, "Let the will of the Lord be done"? What might change in your life?
9. Pray that we lean into gospel-centered community in all its forms, using our gifts and abilities to build up the church. May we all have the boldness of Paul to walk into treacherous or uncertain situations if we know the Spirit is leading.

