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LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

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A Passion to Make Disciples

Text: Acts 15.35-16.10

1. Think about what gets you most excited? Is it your favorite team scoring a touchdown? Is it seeing your child succeed in some event? What was the atmosphere in Antioch upon having the letter from the Jerusalem Council read to them (15.31)? What were they excited about? Are you excited about the mission that Jesus has given us to carry the message of the gospel of grace to others and make disciples?
2. What do we see from Paul and Barnabas as soon as the doctrine of salvation is settled and shared in Antioch (15.35-36)? They are passionate about disciple making, but where does such passion come from (Look at Philippians 1.21; Galatians 2.20; Philippians 3.8; 2 Corinthians 3.18)?
3. What was Paul's priority (15.35-36; 16.1-3; Colossians 1.28)? Is this our priority (Ephesians 2.10)?
4. Who all does God use in the proclaiming of the gospel of grace here in Acts 15 and 16 (some we know, some names we don't – 15.37-41; 16.3)? What disagreement arises and why? What do we learn from this?
5. Why does Paul have Timothy circumcised (16.3; 1 Corinthians 9.20-22)? What does this mean for us when engaging different cultures and people?
6. What did Paul and his crew share on their missionary journey specifically (16.4)? What was the results (16.5)?
7. As you read 16.6-10, what do we learn about the Holy Spirit and those on the missionary journey? If the Holy Spirit says no to one place do we just stop and turn back or do we keep moving in the mission? God is on the move. May we join Him in His mission and have passion like Paul and the others who boldly took the message of the gospel of grace to the nations. Let it be our priority.

Pray.