



OUR UNWRITTEN STORY

WEEK 1

SCRIPTURE VERSE

Acts 16:6-10

They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them; so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

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Getting Started

Welcome back to Small Groups! Spend some time with your group catching up after break by having participants share something that brought them joy over the Christmas holiday.

This week, we're beginning a new series that will culminate with sharing the vision for the next 5 years of our church life. As we get started, take some time to share:

- What is a hope that you have for your personal life in the season ahead?
- What is a hope that you have for our church?

Pray together: Loving God, we know that you are always at work—sometimes we can see it and sometimes it takes us by surprise. Lord, we pray that in the coming year, we would be open to what you want to do in us, through us, and through our church. Amen.

SERMON & SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION

Take a moment to read this week's Scripture together, then discuss:

- Paul had a desire to do something, but felt the Holy Spirit was taking him in a different direction. Share about a time when you have experienced something similar. How did you respond?
- What can make it challenging to let go of a vision or hope that you've had?
- For Paul to find a new vision, he had to be willing to wait and listen to what God was trying to tell him. What is it like for you when you have to wait in the midst of uncertainty? What spiritual tools (like prayer, community, fasting, etc) do you use while you wait?
- During the prayer time on Sunday, we considered what areas of our personal lives and collective world need healing. What are some areas that you would name?
- Pastor Rob challenged us to consider the question, "How can I offer healing?" Spend some time talking about this question together as a group.



PRAYER REQUESTS