

# GROUUPS

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RIOTS & REVIVALS: 03/29/2026 - Mike Wilson

## MAIN IDEA

THOUGH YOU MAY BE BOUND IN BODY. BE BOLD  
IN SPIRIT. PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL UNHINDERED!

## KEY SCRIPTURES

ACTS 28:11-31

## TALK ABOUT IT

- **ICEBREAKER:** Share one small limitation or inconvenience in your life right now (something not too heavy) and one creative or funny way you've worked around it. Did that limitation end up shaping you in any positive way?
- After walking through Acts for 1.5 years, what stands out most to you about how God works through ordinary people in extraordinary circumstances?
- The book of Acts ends with the gospel advancing "with boldness and without hindrance." What do you think Luke is inviting us into by ending the story this way?

### A) Walk in Encouraged Faith, Not Isolated Fear

- In Acts 28:14–15, Paul is encouraged just by the presence of other believers. Why do you think encouragement is so essential to living out bold faith?
- Which is more natural for you in difficult seasons— isolation or community? Why?
- Hebrews 10:24–25 talks about "stirring one another up." What does that practically look like in a life group like ours?
- Can you share a time when someone's encouragement strengthened your faith at just the right moment? What impact did it have?
- What are subtle ways we drift into "isolated fear" even while being around church people?

### B) Steward Every Season as a Gospel Opportunity

- Paul was under house arrest, yet he saw it as an opportunity, not a limitation. What "restrictions" in your life might actually be gospel opportunities?
- What does it look like to "make the best use of the time" (Ephesians 5:15–16) in your current season of life?
- The sermon warned against the "when I..." trap (e.g., when I have more time, when life settles down). What is one "when I..." excuse you've personally used?
- How can we shift our mindset from waiting for ideal conditions to living missionally right now?
- Paul intentionally invited people in (Acts 28:30). What would it look like for you to open your life more intentionally to others for the sake of the gospel?

### C) Proclaim Jesus Boldly, Regardless of Response

- In Acts 28:24, some believed and some didn't. Why is it important to separate faithfulness in sharing from results of response?
- What fears or obstacles most often keep you from speaking about Jesus openly?
- Paul continued boldly even when rejected. What helps you stay faithful when people are uninterested, resistant, or even opposed?

### Closing Challenge

- If you truly believed "now is the time" and there will never be a perfect moment—what is one specific step you would take this week to proclaim Jesus more boldly?

## NEXT STEPS

### • ENCOUNTER:

- Easter at Sage Hills Church April 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Saturday, 3pm, 4:30pm & 6pm
  - Sunday, 8:30am, 10am, and 11:30am

### • EXPERIENCE:

- Become a Facilitator - Spring Groups
  - Alpha
  - Rooted
  - Sermon Based
- Contact P. Marie at (509) 433-7402 for further details

### • EXPAND

- Baptisms during ALL Easter Services - [Take the next step here](#)

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