



Part 1: When The Detour Is Actually The Destination (Acts 16:6-10)

Theme: When God redirects your plans, keep obeying what He has already made clear.

Ice-Breaker

1. **Fun Start:** What is the most memorable detour, wrong turn, or GPS mistake you have experienced? What happened?
2. **Good Memories:** Which is harder for you: a closed door or not knowing what comes next?

Reflect (Read Acts 16:6-10 together)

3. Paul and his team were trying to do something good, yet the Holy Spirit stopped them twice. What does this teach us about the difference between a good plan and God's plan? (Acts 16:6-8; Proverbs 16:9)
4. The passage does not explain how the Spirit stopped Paul or why He closed those doors. Why is it difficult to trust God when He redirects us without explaining Himself?
5. Paul continued west until he reached Troas. (Acts 16:8) What does his response teach us about obedience when we do not know what God is doing or what comes next?
6. The sermon described Scripture's clear commands as God's "standing orders." What has God already told every Christian to do while we wait for more specific direction? (Read John 6:40; 1 Thessalonians 4:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:18; and 1 Peter 2:13–15)

Take Action

7. In Troas, Paul received the vision to go to Macedonia and "*help us.*" (Acts 16:9) What does this request reveal about the purpose of God's guidance and the mission He was giving Paul? What does it reveal about God's vision for our lives?
8. Where are you facing a closed door, changed plan, delay, or unclear next step? What emotions has that detour exposed in you?
9. What has God already made clear in Scripture that you need to obey now, before He shows you what is next? Be specific.
10. Luke joined Paul at Troas. Who may God be providing to walk with you through your detour, and whom might God be asking you to support in theirs?

 **Group Prayer:** Pray for trust when plans change, obedience when the next step is unclear, and discernment when doors close. Ask the Spirit of Jesus to keep the group faithful to Scripture, open to God's direction, and ready to help others with the gospel.