

## Now is the Time

### Acts 26

The coronavirus outbreak is not the right time for...

#### Setting for Acts 26

Paul had been arrested

40+ people vowed to \_\_\_\_\_ him or die trying

He went through multiple trials with no \_\_\_\_\_

Then he was in prison for \_\_\_\_\_ with no progress

Then \_\_\_\_\_ became governor in place of Felix

New inquiry before Festus & King \_\_\_\_\_ (raised Jewish)

Here is what Paul said when he had his change to \_\_\_\_\_ himself

#### Acts 26

This was Paul's "\_\_\_\_\_":

not of himself. not intended to gain his \_\_\_\_\_ from prison

What was Paul defending?

\_\_\_\_\_:

"True and \_\_\_\_\_"

The genuine \_\_\_\_\_ of the long history of Judaism

While a \_\_\_\_\_, he was inviting the king and the rest of these powerful people to follow Jesus!

#### The Big Idea:

**God has \_\_\_\_\_ and called His children  
at all times to \_\_\_\_\_ the eyes of people  
from all nations and all \_\_\_\_\_ of life  
to receive \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus**

Evangelism makes the most sense when \_\_\_\_\_ is least expected

Evangelism=telling the \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus

The Gospel: Acts 26:16-18

#### Application:

**Join Jesus in \_\_\_\_\_ the eyes of people to the Gospel**

Like Paul, tell the story of the \_\_\_\_\_ in your life

Emphasize what you have in \_\_\_\_\_ with the person

Turning point: "Christ \_\_\_\_\_ of me" *Philippians 3:12*

Even when human activity is most visible,

Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ behind every conversion

Do it \_\_\_\_\_ in a way that fits who God made you to be

Show your \_\_\_\_\_

Point to \_\_\_\_\_

Trust Jesus to \_\_\_\_\_ when we point to Him

God's plan: "that the \_\_\_\_\_...would bring the message of light to people" *Acts 26:23*

Another version: "That \_\_\_\_\_ would proclaim"

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Invitation to receive a \_\_\_\_\_!

Forgiveness in Christ (looking \_\_\_\_\_)

No one can \_\_\_\_\_ the past

But Jesus will \_\_\_\_\_ AND use it for \_\_\_\_\_ (grace)

Belonging in Christ (looking \_\_\_\_\_)

Receive "a \_\_\_\_\_" in God's perfect, eternal, loving family and home

Our "\_\_\_\_\_ " is a fulfillment of God's promise

"Proclamation"= \_\_\_\_\_ our hope and \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus

*Matthew 24:14*

When we show our hope and point to Jesus,

we are doing the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

It may seem \_\_\_\_\_ to people

"\_\_\_\_\_ told \_\_\_\_\_ to tell the Good News to people like you"

Yes the Gospel is \_\_\_\_\_ and the Gospel is \_\_\_\_\_

So it is the most reasonable, \_\_\_\_\_ action

#### Together

Encouraging each other and \_\_\_\_\_ each other proclaim  
\_\_\_\_\_ people into the community of Christ's people

#### 1 Peter 3:15

Hope must be a \_\_\_\_\_ hope to prompt the question

Is your hope supernatural? Let it \_\_\_\_\_!

If your hope is \_\_\_\_\_, seek God first, asking for His Spirit!

Then clearly give the \_\_\_\_\_

"Our \_\_\_\_\_ is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness" → historical life, death, and resurrection

#### Reflection

- What builds your supernatural hope in Jesus?
- Would people around you say that is you overflow with hope? If not, what makes your hope hard to see?
- Where in your life might you show your hope and point to Jesus? What are steps you can take to do that more this week?