The Church on Mission: A Spirit-led Love for All Kinds of People Acts 16:6-34 3-10-19

I. Types of people we meet:
1. The Good Person.
Romans 3:20 "by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight"
Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"
Romans 6:23 "for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
2. The Enslaved Person.
3. The Hard Worker.
II. Being a church on mission:
1. Seek opportunities to make connections.
2. Let the sovereignty of God fuel obedience to Him.
John 6:44 "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him."
Luke 10:2 "And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."
3. Consistently invest in people over time.
4. Be aware of people around you in the everyday rhythms of life.

5. Respond to injustice and adversity with faith and joy.
6. Show genuine concern for people in need.
1 John 3:18 "... let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth."
7. Point people towards the Savior.
1 Corinthians 2:1-2 And I, when I came to u, brothers...I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Going Deeper This Week

- 1. Share a people watching story from your life that impacted you. To what extent can you know someone just by watching them?
- 2. Name one or two friends, neighbors, or coworkers who are far from God. Where do they put their hope? What do they see as their purpose in life?
- 3. In what ways are individuals commonly enslaved today? How can we bring the hope of the gospel to such people?
- 4. How should Acts 16:14 which says, "the Lord opened Lydia's heart to respond to the gospel," affect the way we think about talking to others about Jesus?
- 5. What do we need to be doing to make sure we are aware of people who may be struggling with hopelessness?
- 6. Discuss how you are doing in sharing the Gospel and having Gospel conversations? Pray for each other to have a Gospel conversation this week.