Week 32: Acts 24:24-27

Words About

Self-Control

TODAY'S VERSES:

Acts 24:24-27

Acts 24:22-23 Matthew 7:22-23 1 Samuel 15:22 Romans 3:10 Romans 1:18 Galatians 5:16 Galatians 5:22-25 Matthew 7

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In Person Message

For those wanting to hear the message in person, join us beginning September 6th at gam. We will give the message live and have a discussion following (no music). We will still be livestreaming the whole service online.

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BIG IDEA:

Paul speaks about self-control, righteousness and judgement and how the cross deals with each. Paul's point isn't that a Christ follower is without sin, but that when led by the Holy Spirit, a believer is quick to admit when wrong and understands God's grace and rescue. The Holy Spirit gives fruit such as self-control when we die to ourselves and live for Christ.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Take a moment and recap what was known to the ancient world about Felix and Drusilla.

How would you approach speaking the Gospel to them if you were Paul?

What is it that Felix and Drusilla were seeking for fulfillment in life? How is Jesus better than the things they were seeking? Do you believe Jesus is better than the things you seek in life for comfort, acceptance, control or success?

How does surrendering our will enable us to have more self-control? Who does the work of this type of change?

Paul says this love for Jesus comes from the Spirit of God. Have you ever asked the Spirit to grow your love for Jesus?

A mark of "Authentic Christianity" is the grasp of the grace of God. What changes in us when we grasp God's grace? Have you experienced those changes? Do you celebrate God's grace and the Spirit's work in your life?

Do you know anyone living like Felix and Drusilla that God has given you an audience with? What might God be wanting to say through you?

Do you tend to focus on morality or Jesus in your life or the lives of others?

How quick/slow are you to offer grace to those who most need it when they repent ?