



Series Topical

Passage Acts 15:36-41, 16:1-13

Title How Jesus Leads His Church

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- **Discussion Starter:** How do you see Jesus leading His church today?

Signs and Wonders (2 Corinthians 5:7)

- In what ways do you see God using His signs and wonders throughout the Bible? What do you think is their main purpose?
- What role do signs and wonders have in the church today? What are some of the dangers of seeking signs and wonders and how do they relate to our walk of faith?

Dealing with Contention (Acts 15:36-41)

- What do you think was the good and the bad that came out of Paul and Barnabas' conflict over Mark? How could they both be right?
- What are the attributes of God we see that are represented in the positions taken by Paul and Barnabas in their conflict over Mark? What can we learn from this example of how Jesus leads His church today?

Importance of Christian Mentoring (Acts 16:1-5; 2 Timothy 2:1-2)

- Read Acts 16:1-5 and Timothy 2:1-2. What insights do we gain from these verses on the importance of Christian mentoring? What hinders us from being mentored or mentoring others?
- Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23. How do these verses express the degree to which Paul was willing to go to meet people where they were at? What was he asking Timothy to do and why? What are we doing today to meet people where they are in life?

Jesus Leads His Church in Very Natural Ways (Acts 16:6-8)

- Describe what you think is taking place in these verses as Paul seemed to be running into barriers and problems in each of the places he tried to preach the gospel. What do you think God was showing him during this delay?

Jesus is Still Leading Even When Our Expectations Are Not Met (Acts 16:9-13)

- What might have been Paul's expectations of what to expect after finally receiving a vision to preach in Macedonia? What was his reality? How should this speak to us about our expectations of our own walk with Jesus?