



## **Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions**

Topic: *Mysia and Troas:*

*Determining God's Will for Your Life*

Text: Acts 16:1-10

Service Date: September 28, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

### **Getting Started**

- Some decisions have significant impact upon our lives. Looking back upon your life, what's a decision you made that changed the trajectory of your life? (Note: Don't include marriage or children as part of your response.)
- Read Acts 16:1-10. Sometimes God says "no". Can you recall A) a time in your life when God said "no" and it led to something even better than you imagined or B) the "no" made sense in hindsight? What did you learn about God's timing through the situation?

### **Sermon Discussion**

- We make hundreds of decisions every day. What are decisions in your life where you EARNESTLY seek His will? Do you find that you tend to only earnestly seek Him when it's most needed or a decision is a major one?
- What areas of your life do you find it hardest to surrender and allow God to lead?
- Is there a time in your life when you made a decision where you went against what YOU thought was the best decision and did what you felt God wanted you to do?
- Read 2 Peter 3:8-9. Sometimes God says wait. What is the hardest part about waiting?
- Have you ever watched a Christian get the answer of no or wait? What impressed (or unimpressed) you the most about their response?
- What's the hardest part for you about waiting on God's direction? How do you stay spiritually engaged while you wait?
- How do you usually go about making big decisions in your life? Do you tend to rely more on prayer, Scripture, advice, feelings, or common sense?
- Proverbs 3:5-6 says to "trust in the Lord" and "not lean on your own understanding." What does that look like practically in your daily decision-making?

- What's the difference between God's universal will and His specific will? Can you think of a decision where you clearly saw both at work?
  - Romans 12:2 talks about being transformed by the renewing of your mind to "test and approve" God's will. What are some practical ways you renew your mind so you can better discern His will?
  - Jeremy Camp wrote "I Still Believe" during a season of pain and uncertainty. Can you share a time when you had to cling to belief even when you didn't understand God's plan?
  - Do you believe God still gives dramatic direction like He did to Paul in Acts 16:9? If not, how do you think God guides us most often today?
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### **This Week's Action Response**

- What's one decision you're currently facing? Based on what you've learned in this sermon, how might you approach it differently now?
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### **Impact Opportunity**

The African Children's Choir is going to be performing at Tri-Village on Monday evening, Oct. 27. We're looking for individuals/families who would be open to hosting children in their homes for Sunday-Tuesday night. If you'd be available or would like more information, visit [tri-village.org/choir](http://tri-village.org/choir) to sign-up. (Note: Children can share beds and prefer to sleep in the same room so host homes do not need a lot of space.)