

Small Group Discussion Guide

“Saturated (pt. 7)” - 05.08.16

Scripture: Acts 20:1-16

Bottom Line: Worship is Central to the Christian Life.

INTRODUCTION/BREAKING THE ICE:

This week Pastor Adam shared one of his most peculiar habits: he must eat 2 M&M's at a time; one on each side of his mouth. What are some of your peculiar habits? What are some of the funniest peculiar habits you've ever heard of or seen? Use these questions, create your own questions or play a fun opening game to break the ice with your group!

UNPACKING THE GOSPEL

Read Acts 20:1-16

In verse 7 Luke is describing one of the earliest worship gatherings. This is important because worship is central to Christianity! In fact, we would argue that we were created for worship!

- 1) *What does the word, “worship,” mean to you?* (worship means to “Ascribe worth”. It's seeing what God is worth and giving Him what He deserves - treasuring, delighting, prizing, valuing God above all else, etc.)
- 2) *What are some ways we worship God as Christians?* (Individual lifestyle as we are scattered - Romans 12:1 and Collective expression as we are gathered - Acts 20:7)
- 3) *In your own words, what is the difference between attending worship and living in worship?* (worship is what I bring, not what I attend.)
- 4) *Ask your group to share something that threatens to take some of their worship from God. Take time at the end of your gathering to pray for one another about these obstacles that are keeping them from worshipping Jesus.*

LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE

- 1) *We were created to worship. What are some things that people waste their worship on? Take a moment to look back on the past week. What got the most attention from you?*
- 2) *Worship involves surrender. Surrendering to God is not about losing; it's about gaining. What will you gain by surrendering more of your life to God?*
- 3) *Since worship is a lifestyle –not just what we do in a church building— what common task could you start doing as if you were doing it directly for Jesus?*