

Sermon-based Discussion Questions

A Window into Paul's Ministry (Acts 20:7-16)

October 10, 2021

1. Have you ever been caught dozing at an inopportune time? What were the consequences?

2. Who in your group has been at the church the longest? Ask them to share briefly about ways they've seen God use the investment of time to develop a healthy, gospel-centered church.

3. Read Acts 20:7-8. What do you think about devoting all of Sunday (the Lord's Day) as a day of gospel-centered worship? Is this reasonable? Too much or too little? What might this look like for you? What obstacles do you foresee?

4. How much time do you think a growing Christian needs to invest in gospel instruction? What are the dangers of under-investing? Can we overdo it? What's one next step that you could take this week to make proper time for gospel instruction? How can your group help you?

5. Read Acts 20:9-12. Describe a time when you saw a local church focus its attention on caring for someone in need. How does a church family balance the need to care for individuals while at the same time continuing to minister to the spiritual needs of the whole body (cf. vv.10-11)?

6. What is one recent, tangible way that you have felt blessed, welcomed, or cared for on a Sunday morning at church? Do you know who it was who served you? How do fully devoted followers of Jesus who barely have enough time for themselves make time to care for others?