

Ministry: Health

Acts 20:17–38 || Pastor Matthew St. John || September 23, 2018

Discussion Questions

1. Share a story of seeing someone (pastor, ministry leader, elder or another person in authority over you) combine truth and tears in a way that built you up.
2. The Apostle Paul commands the elders to pay attention to their own lives and to the flock. This is valuable for all of us (vs. 28). What practices and principles help us pay attention to our joy and progress in our own faith and in the faith of others?
3. How are you currently growing in being rooted to God and to the word of His grace (vs. 32)?
4. The Apostle Paul talks about people being built up by building on the foundation of the gospel.
 - Read Colossians 2:6–7 & 2 Peter 1:3–15.
 - What does this look like in your own life and community?
 - Practice saying the gospel out loud together to make sure we know, remember and can articulate what we are building on as we proclaim it to ourselves and others.
5. In 1 Corinthians 11:1, Paul encourages a church to imitate him as he imitates Christ. From Acts 20, what do you learn about his example that is worth imitating? Ask God for grace and help by the Holy Spirit to go and do likewise this week.

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