

What's a Real Christian?

18 October - Ron Aulbach

Acts 4:23-31

LIFE

Building life giving relationships

CATCH UP: Spend 20-30 minutes catching up with each member of the group and sharing prayer requests. Make sure to spend a few minutes praying for each other.

YOUR STORY: Consider playing one round of a game like "Like Minds" or "Scattergories." What is a game that you enjoy playing? Or do you prefer avoiding games?

GOD

Growing more like Jesus together

ENGAGE THE MESSAGE:

1. **Read** Acts 2:14-41 to get the full context.
2. Pastor Ron asked the question, "What's a real Christian?" In your own words, what are some of things a Christian would be known for? In other words, what are the qualities and behaviors of a Christ follower? Where have you seen these attributes already in the book of Acts?
3. Is it hard for you to follow God when life is hard? Do you ever struggle with how God can allow evil and suffering? Review the story of Job (read the beginning of his story in Job 1:1-22, and the end in Job 42:10-15).
4. When the disciples faced adversity and certain persecution, they prayed for boldness to keep preaching the message of Jesus (Acts 4:29-30). What do you most often pray for?
5. In the book of Acts we see the disciples have clear experiences with God. Whether that be speaking different languages, having great courage, and even the ground shaking around them. Take a few minutes as a group and think of some tangible ways you want God to move in our world today. Try taking a minute to write these down, either on paper or on your device and then share them. Pray.

OTHERS

Loving God and loving others

FALL SERVE: As a group discuss how you can serve our community together this fall. Check out the bridgeway website and the "serve app" for ideas to serve with us! If you didn't pick a date and idea last time, choose one this week.

BOLDNESS: Who in your life can you be praying to know Jesus? What steps can you take to show them His love this week?