

Week of Sunday, December 11, 2016
God Comforts His People | [Acts 22:22-23:11](#)

In preparation for your home group this week:

Read

1. [Acts 23:11](#) (Go to Talk #1)
2. [Col. 4:2-6](#); [Eph. 4:25-32](#) (Go to Talk #2)
3. [Lev. 16:1-34](#); [Heb. 9:1-10:18](#) (Go to Talk #3)
4. [Phil. 3:20](#) (Go to Talk #4)
5. [Acts 23:4](#) (Go to Talk #5)
6. [Acts 23:6-7](#) (Go to Talk #6)

Talk

1. Jesus' words "Take courage" come to Paul at a time of deep distress. Which Scriptures has God used to help you in time of distress?
2. Paul quickly took responsibility for his words against the high priest. How should you react when your actions don't align with God's Word?
3. What were the high priest's responsibilities on the Day of Atonement? How did Jesus serve in His role as our great high priest?
4. Paul cites his Roman citizenship as a reason that he shouldn't be mistreated. What does the Bible say about how we should treat those who are "citizens of heaven"? How does it say we treat those who are not part of the family of God??
5. Paul accuses the High Priest of judging according to the law but acting contrary to the law. In what areas of life do you find hypocrisy easiest to creep in? How can you combat acting like a hypocrite?
6. Paul intentionally creates dissension between Pharisees and Sadducees. Have you ever experienced division as a good thing in your life? Is there a biblical way to use dissension to the glory of God?

Pray

- That God would be glorified.
- That you would be a blessing in your group.
- That people's needs would be met.
- That friendships would be built and strengthened.
- That the group would serve God's purposes.
- Pray for all our ministry partners (graceorange.org/globaloutreach and graceorange.org/localoutreach)

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