

Small Group Discussion Guide

“Can’t Stop Won’t Stop (pt. 1)” - 05.15.16

Scripture: Acts 20:17-27; 21:11-14; 21:27-33

Bottom Line: Living a Can’t-Stop-Won’t-Stop life for God and others.

INTRODUCTION/BREAKING THE ICE:

Pastor Adam shared one of his favorite movie quotes from the movie Blue’s Brothers during Sunday’s sermon. Break the ice with your small group by asking some of the following questions or coming up with your own. What is your all time favorite movie and why? What’s the worst movie you’ve ever seen? What’s your favorite movie line?

UNPACKING THE GOSPEL

The book of Acts is the story of God’s unstoppable plan. It was literally God’s unstoppable force through “Can’t-Stop-Won’t-Stop,” people that made the message and movement unstoppable.

- 1) When you examine your life, what motivates you to carry on and press forward (security, comfort, stress, job security, status, approval, acceptance, etc.)?
- 2) What’s the problem with being motivated by security, comfort, stress, job security, status, approval, acceptance, etc.(it’s never enough, temporary, constantly changing)?

Read Acts 20:17-27

- 1) With all the hardships the experience, why do you think these believers never shrank from sharing the truth?
- 2) They persevered through the hardships because they lived by what was true! How do we find ultimate TRUTH?

Read Acts 21:11-14

- 1) How do you think Paul was able to persevere in the face of such danger?
- 2) Paul was living for the BIGGEST PURPOSE. God’s purpose! No guilt, but when you examine your life what do you truly believe you are living for? God’s kingdom or yours? (We will quit when it gets hard if we’re living for our kingdom for it is far too small and temporary to fuel a “Can’t-Stop-Won’t-Stop” kind of life.)

Read Acts 21:27-33

- 1) According to Paul, who was able to receive God’s wonderful gift of salvation?
- 2) Paul knew that God’s grace was for all people in all places! How can you practically live out such RADICAL GRACE amongst the people God has placed you around?

LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE

- 1) You’ll be a, “Can’t-Stop-Won’t-Stop,” person when you live by what is TRUE. What are some practical steps you can take in order to know the truth and live out the truth?
- 2) A, “Can’t-Stop-Won’t-Stop,” person will live by what is TRUE, live for GOD’S PURPOSE, believe God’s UNCONDITIONAL LOVE for them/others and will have a personal faith/call in their life. What area are you struggling to believe or accept? How can you make practical steps to work on those areas where you struggle?
- 3) Take time to pray for one another’s areas of weakness as well as encourage them with what gifts you’ve identified in them.