

LISTENING GUIDE

Luke 6:17-26 – Anchored in God's Gracious Choice

1. To be _____ is to be _____, so Jesus' words seem a _____.
2. These woes are the clear _____ this world has fallen into _____ because of sin.
3. Jesus says I am blessed _____ woes, when I _____ my life in God's _____.
4. I commit a grave _____ when I live for the _____ rather than the one who _____.
5. Jesus _____ us away from a life anchored in the _____ place.
6. God's gracious _____ is made _____ in Jesus.
7. My blessings:
 1. Despite poverty, the _____ of Christ.
 2. Despite want, our needs are _____ in Christ.
 3. Despite mourning, the power of Jesus' _____.
 4. Despite rejection, Christ's full _____.
8. I will _____ my life in Christ - _____.

LIFEGROUPS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

COMPLETE THESE QUESTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR YOUR LIFE GROUP.
BRING THIS SHEET AND A BIBLE WITH YOU TO YOUR LIFE GROUP.



WARM UP

Share your most memorable story (good or bad!) in which you told someone about Jesus or invited someone to worship or Bible Study.

INTRODUCTION

Where are you? Not your physical location at this moment, but the community in which you live? The job which you work? The schools where your children attend? The block on which your home sits? In all of those places, you will also find people – people whom God desires to bless, because you will interact with them.

INTO GOD'S WORD

Read Acts 16:6-12.

What evidence do you see of Paul's careful planning for where he wanted to share the gospel?

God had other plans. We don't know exactly how the "Spirit" kept them from certain places. **Guess at how that may have played out:**

How did God make clear where he wanted Paul to proclaim the gospel?

Read Acts 16:13-15. Paul's normal practice in a new city was to find the synagogue and speak to Jews first. **What was his plan in the city of Philippi?**

Agree/ Disagree: Lydia's faith was incomplete.

INTO MY LIFE

God used a dream to tell Paul to proclaim the gospel in Macedonia. More than likely, you have not experienced a similar dream. **In what ways has Jesus put you into a particular, unique-to-you mission field?**

How should a congregation decide how or where to reach out with the gospel?

How should you as an individual decide how or where to reach out with the gospel?

**What are some of the reason people become “de-churched”?
How might listening for clues to these reasons help us as we
seek to witness?**

This week, identify the people in your life who are not churched.

Then, count the number of interactions you had with someone who is unchurched.

SHARING & PRAYER

Dear Jesus, you have placed each of exactly where you want us at this time. There are people around us to whom you have called us to be witnesses. Open our eyes to see those chosen for us. Open our hearts to fully trust you and your gospel to empower us. Remind us we join with the apostles on your mission, and you have promised to be with us every step of the way.

Your prayer requests:

