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MAIN TEXT:

Acts 30:35

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Belong: (Ice Breaker): Have you ever served with one of our First Orlando partners? What did you do? Who did you meet? What was your favorite part of your experience?

Leader's Note: This new series is focused on Greater and this week we are focusing on our community. This is great context to share with your group as a way of celebration:

Through our FOR ORLANDO partnerships, families have been supported, students mentored, and hope extended to neighbors across Central Florida. Practical compassion is opening doors for eternal conversations.

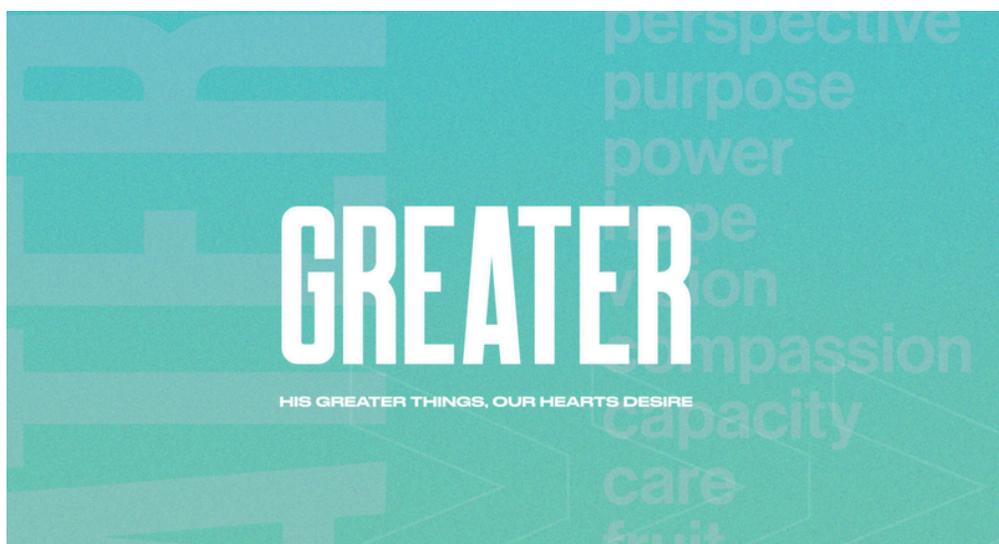
- Nearly \$2 million given to For Orlando partners in the last 2 years
- 250 volunteers serving regularly with 49 For Orlando partners
- Over 1,000 volunteers served in the last year at 9 catalyst events
- 75 volunteers serving on 8 ministry leadership teams
- 80 volunteers engaged in praying regularly for missions

Believe:

Read Acts 20:32-38

Leaders's Note: In this passage Paul is on his way to Jerusalem, and calls for the church leaders from Ephesus to come to see him in Miletus. His decision to sail past Ephesus was because he was trying to get to Jerusalem quickly. In this address to the leaders only, he holds his ministry up as an example, speaks of the future, gives warnings, and encourages them on how to relate to material goods.

- What stands out to you about his passage? What do you learn about God?
- What is central to the mission of God? What is it able to do?
- How did Paul set an example when he lived among the Ephesians?



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Believe:

- **Read Acts 20:35** (It helps to have different people from the group read - most of the time different translations will be represented such as NIV, ESV, NLT, TLB etc)
 - What does it mean to help the weak? What does that look like practically?
 - *Note: Help - to support, embrace, to be a partaker*
 - Paul says to “remember the words of Jesus”. {These words themselves aren’t recorded in the Gospels.} - It might be helpful to read John 21:25 as context to explain that Jesus did many things not recorded in Scripture.
 - What is at the heart of this known saying and teaching of Jesus?
- **Read: 2 Cor 8:9-15**
 - What stands out to you about this passage? What do you learn about Christian generosity as modeled in Christ? How does this motivate you?

Become:

“You are never more like Jesus than when you serve.” - Pastor David

- **Read Mark 10:45**
- How does this verse confirm what we have talked about so far this week?
- Do you have a story of when you saw someone serving and it reminded you of Jesus? What happened as a result of this act of service? How was God glorified?

Closing:

- As a resource, please share this First Orlando Web Page:
<https://www.firstorlando.com/greater/>
- Spend time in Prayer as a group:
 - Thank God for the last year of Greater - our First Orlando generosity initiative to increase our Gospel impact around Central Florida.
 - Pray for the *First Embrace Pregnancy Center, 4Given Jail Ministry, and Edgewood Children’s Christian Ranch* (all featured in this week’s service)
 - Discuss ways to get involved and serve together as a group.
 - Pray for GREATER Gospel impact in 2026!