

life groups

Questions for the Week of February 20

- Share a time when your reputation helped you (or worked against you) in of a tricky situation.

READ ACTS 24:1-9

- How does Paul's response line up with the accusations made about him? What's different about Paul's presentation and that of the Jews?

READ ACTS 24:10-23

- Why do you think Paul specifically mentioned "the resurrection of the just and the unjust" in verse 15? How is the truth of the resurrection crucial to the gospel message?
- How did Paul use this arrest as an opportunity to share Christ? What can we learn from him in this regard?

READ ACTS 24:24-27

- If you were Paul, how would you have reacted to seeing Felix again?
- Based on Paul's reaction (v. 25), how would you describe his priorities?
- Why do you think the topics of righteousness, self-control, and judgment were frightening for Felix (v. 25)? Are these topics difficult or alarming for people today? Why or why not?

CONCLUSION

- Do you find it more or less terrifying to share your faith in stressful, difficult situations? Why?
- What are some practical ways we can more firmly root our contentment in the gospel of Jesus Christ? How might doing so prepare you to face slander and mistreatment in the future?
- Paul recognized that He was not in charge. In what areas of your life is it most difficult for you to admit that you are not in charge? What is one step you could take this week to trust Christ in that area?