



Introduction

Jesus started His mission by saying “Come follow...” and ended it by saying “Now go...”. The three years in between were spent showing us *how life is meant to be lived*. Paul and the apostles in Acts 14 are living this kind of life out. Taking risks, facing opposition – all for Jesus. How about us? How do we live life? Are we cursed with convenience or off the couch living life the way Christ intended?

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Acts 14

“View from the Couch”

Community Group Notes

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Explanation

Read **Acts 14:1-7; 14:19-23, 2 Cor 4:7-10** and choose a **FEW** discussion questions from the list below:

(Describe / discuss the “view from the couch” visual Glen presented in church)

“Our culture encourages us to live life in safety and convenience (“on the couch”). Jesus commands that we live life taking risks for Him rather than remaining comfortable.”

- **2 Cor 4:7-10** – How is Paul’s description of his life in *stark* contrast to the life many Christians live today?
 - Why is this?
 - Is the N.T Christian’s life more in line with Jesus’ command? How and why?
- According to 2 Cor 4:10, what is the *end goal* of life?
 - How does this compare to our culture’s goals?
 - Why have we become obsessed with power, possessions and prestige?
- **Acts 14: 3,7,15,20,22** - What specific examples of 2 Cor 4:10 does Acts 14 give us?
 - What would these examples look like in our time and culture?
- Can you think of examples in your own life of people who “got off the couch”? (Glen gave examples of George Muller, The Robynson Family and Lucy)

Acts 2:37

- Discuss Glen’s statement - *“If you want to know what someone believes, watch what they DO”*
- As a community group how can you “GO DO”?
- Pray for each other asking Jesus to give you boldness to live a ‘riskier’ life this week. Ask Him to show how we can do that as part of our regular routine.