



**Topeka Bible Church**  
**The Life of Paul, Episode 47:**  
**"The Five Tools of Evangelism"**  
**Community Group Study Questions**  
**Acts 26 and selected passages**

1. Paul repeatedly refers to the Christian faith as one of "hope" (Acts 26:6-7; 23:6; 24:15; 28:20). Do you agree? Is the hope of the twelve tribes of Israel the same as our Christian hope? How does the resurrection from the dead relate to this hope (Acts 26:8; Romans 8:22-23; 1 Corinthians 15:19-22)?
  
2. How does Paul logically approach his evangelism here in Acts 26:6-8? Why is this approach important? Have you ever tried to logically dialogue with non-Christians about the gospel? What happened? Why do people reject the "common sense" message of the gospel (1 Corinthians 2:14; 2 Corinthians 4:3-4)?
  
3. Paul begins to share his personal testimony by describing his past (i.e. life before he trusted Christ; Acts 26:9-11) and then he moves to his conversion experience (Acts 26:12-18). While our story may be different than Paul's, are you able to articulate your personal testimony?
  
4. Why is the Bible important to use in our evangelism (2 Timothy 3:16-17)? How did Paul use the Bible in his evangelism (Acts 26:22-23; cf. Luke 24:27)? What are some verses that you can use to explain the gospel (Romans 3:23; Ephesians 2:8-10; John 3:16)?

5. What does “apologetics” mean and how does it differ, if at all, from logic? How can history and evidence help us to defend our faith (Acts 26:25-26)? Have you ever used apologetics in your evangelism (1 Peter 3:15; Colossians 4:5-6)? What happened when you used history and evidence to defend the gospel?
  
6. Notice Paul’s personal appeal to Agrippa in Acts 26:27-28. Why is this appeal so important in our evangelism? If this appeal is so important, what holds us back from asking people if they are ready to trust Jesus Christ as their Savior? How can we move past these hindrances (Matthew 28:20; Romans 1:16; Philippians 4:6-7)?
  
7. Which of the five tools of evangelism (Logic, Personal Testimony, the Bible, Apologetics, and Personal Appeal) do you need to employ more often in your evangelism? How can you develop your skill in handling this “tool?” Who can help you develop your skill?

**Memory Verse:**

**“And Paul said, ‘I would wish to God, that whether in a short or long time, not only you, but also all who hear me this day, might become such as I am, except for these chains.’”**

**(Acts 26:29, NASB)**