



Worship Guide for **June 30, 2019**

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Acts 14: 21-28

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The Great Commission is the call to make disciples. Central in the task of making disciples is the gathering together of believers in a healthy local church. Ensuring the health of the local church is critical to the success of the mission Christ has given us. In Acts chapter 14 we see Paul and Barnabas's basic mission strategy is much more than going into a town and proclaiming the gospel message. Their strategy could be summarized as 'seeking to advance the gospel through gospel-preaching, God-glorifying, great commission focused churches. (Mark Dever) What we see taking place in Derbe, Lystra, Iconium and Antioch is a model of what we need to see taking place here at Westwood:

Our Commission has not changed:

Preach the gospel and make disciples (v21)

Our church members have the same needs:

Strengthening, instruction, assurance and care (v22-23a)

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## Weekly Discipleship Guide

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### Sunday

*In your journal, reflect on today's sermon by answering the following:*

I never knew:

I was challenged:

I was reminded:

I was convicted:

A question I still have:

A truth I could share:

**Know**

### Monday

*Spend some time today doing the following:*

Read the sermon passage again.

Select a portion of this week's sermon passage to memorize this week.

Write your selected portion and read it to yourself at least 10 times throughout the day and meditate on that portion this week.

**Know > Be**

### Tuesday

*In your journal, spend some time writing about the following:*

Read the sermon passage again.

Write a prayer of response, specifically guided by the passage.

(May include adoration, confession/repentance, thanksgiving, petition, etc...)

Continue to meditate on a memorize the selection you chose from yesterday.

**Be**

### Wednesday

*Think about this week's questions for group discussion:*

Can you recall folks that God used to bring you along as a disciple throughout your faith journey? What has been their lasting impact in your life and faith?

What are the responsibilities that each meaningful church member should embrace in order that the church family might be a "gospel-preaching, God-glorifying Great Commission focused church?" How are you seeking to embrace that role?

How do we grow a better awareness of our brothers and sisters in the Body so that we can capture the opportunities to meet specific spiritual needs by speaking the Word into their lives when needed?

**Be > Do**

### Thursday

*In your journal, spend some time considering the following:*

What insights have you gained while internalizing this week's passage?

How specifically will you seek to apply its truths in your home/workplace/life in general?

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