

Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of October 18-19, 2025

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

What Is Broken in Our World Today?

(Acts 19:21-41)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud Acts 19:21-41.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Alan's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

Within this passage, we see idols (things we attach our hearts to) being exposed and the resulting damage that comes from their presence.

If Pastor Alan's definition of an idol is at all different from how you would have defined an idol, share how so.

What idols have captured your heart's attention in the past?

How did their presence affect your life? In what ways, if any, have they let you down?

Read together the following quote from David Foster Wallace.

“In the trenches of adult life, there is actually no such thing as atheism. There is no such thing as not worshipping. Everybody worships. The only choice we get is what to worship and the compelling reason for maybe choosing a spiritual God like Jesus Christ or Allah or Yahweh... is that pretty much anything else you worship will eat you alive...”

What response do you have to reading this quote?

Pastor Alan stated that, “sin is what happens whenever we love anything more than God.”

To expose unrealized idols in our current life, Pastor Alan suggests asking two questions.

First, ask the question, “What am I deeply afraid of?” (vs. 25-27)

Take some time to ask yourself that question and reflect on it with your group.

What idols, if any, did this question start to expose to you?

Second, ask the question, “What stirs in your unbridled emotion?” (vs. 28)

Take some time to ask yourself that question and reflect on it with your group.

What idols, if any, did this question start to expose to you?

Once idols are exposed, Pastor Alan suggests ways to find freedom from these idols. (vs. 35).

In addressing idols in your life, how might slowing down, and calming down help you?

What could it look like to bring these idols to the Holy Spirit?

What other ways have you found to address and remove idols from your life?

As Pastor Alan took us through the response time after the sermon, what was this like for you? In what ways, if any, did this equip you to help address idols in the future?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend’s message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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