

## Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of November 15-16, 2025

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

### Living Confidently

(Acts 23)

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### Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud Acts 23.

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?

What situations, if any, rattle your confidence?

Within this text, Pastor Alan observes five traits of Paul that can lead to greater confidence.

First trait - A Clear Conscience (vs. 23:1)

When has a clear moral compass allowed you to feel peace amid a challenge?

If moral clarity comes from alignment with God's will, how aligned with God do you currently feel?

If you long for greater alignment with God, what steps could you take?

## Second trait – A Healthy Self-Respect (vs. 23:2-3)

When have you exhibited the strength to stand up to a wrong committed against you?

What allowed you to do this and how did this go?

When have you struggled to stand up for yourself?

What hindered you from advocating for yourself and what was the result of your lack of action?

If there is a current area in your life where you need to stand up for yourself, what could it look like to address this with peace and confidence?

## Third trait – Shrewd Wisdom (vs. 23:6-8)

When have you been able to rely on wisdom over emotion to navigate a challenging situation?

When has responding to a challenging situation with emotion vs. wisdom backfired?

How often do you ask God for wisdom - especially when you are about to face a difficult circumstance? (James 1:5)

Whether often or not, share how this has gone.

## Fourth trait – (Experiencing) The Presence of Jesus (vs. 23:11)

When have you felt Jesus' presence in a challenging situation and what did this do for you?

What does (or could) it look like to invite Jesus' presence into the challenging moments of life?

How do you nurture the reality of Jesus' ongoing presence in your life?

## Fifth trait – Trust in God's Providence (vs. 23:16-24)

When has a trust in God's plan allowed you to exhibit confidence when this would not have been possible otherwise?

How much peace do you draw from God being in control?

If this does not offer you the peace you desire, share what you are experiencing?

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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