



## **Faith Over Fear**

Acts 27:13-6; 28:1-6

Growth Group Discussion Questions for November 19, 2017

### **Getting Started:**

- 1) What is one unreasonable fear or phobia that you have?

Two of our greatest fears as human beings are fear of failure and fear of loss.

- 2) Why do you think people fear failure so much?
  - In your own life, what are you most afraid of failing at?
  - What do you do to try to avoid failure?
  - What risk would you take if you knew you wouldn't fail?
- 3) For what would you give up everything so that you wouldn't lose it?
- 4) In Philippians 3:7-11, Paul expresses his desire to dump everything overboard so that he can know Christ and the power of his resurrection. What in your life do you need to dump overboard for the sake of knowing Jesus more deeply?

### **Going Deeper:**

- 5) **READ:** Philippians 4:4-9. Jot down any insights, questions, or key observations.
  - How does what you think about affect how you feel?
  - How do your emotions affect how you act or react?
  - How does this cycle affect your relationship with God?

## **Bringing it Home:**

In the midst of a crisis, Paul reacted with urgent forewarnings, maintaining hope, counseling, common sense, giving thanks, remaining calm, persevering to the end. He could have this confidence because he knew God's character. Therefore he had the courage to trust God all the way through no matter what happened.

- 6) What is the greatest pressure situation you're facing now?
  
- 7) How can Paul's example and the principles you've learned from his experience give you the courage to trust God more fully—no matter what?