

FBC Groups Ministry Discussion Guide



Infinite Opportunities from the Ordinary

A Series Based on the Book of Acts

Part Five: When Conflict Happens in the Ordinary, Acts 15:36–41

Life may often seem ordinary, but the potential for our lives to matter is infinite when we look to the God who is infinite. We see this in the Book of Acts where God advanced the good news about Jesus through people who were otherwise ordinary. What does this teach us about how God is working in our lives today? We continue our journey through Acts where Paul and Barnabas experience a sharp disagreement over a young man named John Mark. Read Acts 15:36–41.

Be encouraged! When conflict becomes part of your ordinary:

Don't let it disappoint you

Don't let it defeat you

Don't let it define you

Questions for Group Discussion:

1. What was the source of the conflict between Paul and Barnabas?
2. What is your natural response when conflict arises? How can you change that?
3. What are the ways in which conflict has or is holding you back?
4. Describe being God-centered compared to self-centered in a conflict.
5. Describe a time when you experienced resolution beyond a conflict.
6. What are common sources of conflict in life?
7. Do you consider conflict healthy? Why or why not?
8. Are you generally the first person to resolve a conflict or do you wait?

Final Thoughts and Closing Prayer:

What will I do to be ready when I experience conflict this week?

How will I live differently because of this study?

Notes & Reflections: