

## SMALL GROUP STUDY - WEEK OF MARCH 22nd



### **You'll Never Be Alone:** *"A Prisoner of the Lord"*

This Bible study for Small Groups and individuals builds on Sunday's sermon.

### **OPENING:**

- How have your personal devotions been this past week? Share a thought or passage that has been meaningful to you (or read a Life Journal entry).
- In a single word, how would you describe the current season that we are in as a culture/world? What has been the most disappointing thing for you?

### **IN THE WORD:**

1. Read **Ephesians 4:1-2** together. Paul knew about being in quarantine! How does he leverage his being in prison in his message to the church in Ephesus?
2. How many qualities does Paul list in verse? What do you know about these and why are they so complimentary?
3. From what you know about Paul's life, what are some really good excuses he would have to not follow Christ so wholeheartedly? Did following Jesus get him into more trouble or less?
4. Read **2 Corinthians 11:21b-12:10**. Which calamity that Paul had due to the Gospel is the most troublesome for you?
5. Discuss Paul's conclusions (12:9-10) in light of our difficulties. Does it apply? End with reading **2 Corinthians 4:7-12, 16-18** together. Be inspired by Paul's faith and follow his example!
6. Pray for one another and for Norkenzie; that we thrive during these difficult times.