

Pursued

Week 5: John Mark, Onesimus, and Paul | Teacher: Libin Abraham Sermon Questions for 2.6.2022

Opener

How would you describe your personality?

Read

Acts 12:12; Acts 13; Acts 15:36-40; Colossians 4:10; 1 Peter 5:13; 2 Timothy 4:9-11; Philemon;

Main Points

- 1. Although John Mark had abandoned God's mission, God's mission never abandoned John Mark.
- 2. You are not condemned by your past mistakes. You are not stuck where you have been, you are sought after by a loving God.
- 3. Mercy is withholding what you do deserve, but grace is giving you what you don't deserve. Grace makes a slave a son...from son to an apostle.
- 4. God's grace outpaces us in all our running from God and he meets us with both mercy and grace.
- 5. When we become pursuers of people, God not only changes them, he changes us.

Engage with God in a Group

- How quickly do you tend to form an opinion of someone?
- How easily can that opinion change about a person?
- When have you experienced a major shift in what you thought about someone for the better?
- What role does your faith play in how you see others and how available you are to them?
- How has God changed your view of someone or group of people?

Bottom Line

We can't pursue our community unless we are willing to see people through the eyes of our Pursuer.