

Mission-Driven Community

Acts 9:19b-30

Gospel _____ requires godly _____

We demonstrate this as we support those who are:

1. _____ of us

2. _____ us

3. _____ us

For Further Reflection and Discussion

Opener: What is the longest time you went without sleep? Why?

How did God speak to you or work in you at church this Sunday?

Read Acts 9:19b-30. What in these verses points, directly or indirectly, to increase?

In Damascus, how would the increase of the gospel been affected if Saul's disciples hadn't helped him?

Think about this statement: "Christians should support those who are leading them."

- In a best-case or healthiest church context, what could this look like? Why would leaders need support? How could those following them support them in a way that would ensure gospel increase?
- What does this or could this look like in your life?
- What does this or could this look like in our church?

Have you ever done for someone what Barnabas did for Saul? What was the situation, and what happened?

What are some ways we as a church family could support developing leaders?

- What are the potential risks and rewards of doing so?

When you see the term "brothers" used to describe the relationship between believers (as in v. 30), what's your initial reaction? Positive, negative, neutral, or something else?

We may not ever be in a situation where we can intervene to save a fellow believer's life (vv. 29-30). What are other ways we can support and protect one another?

How can we pray for one another?