

1 Corinthians 16:5-12 (March 12, 2023)

OPENING QUESTION:

SERMON DISCUSSION: How were you impacted by the sermon? What new thoughts or lessons did you discover? In what ways did you find yourself challenged and/or encouraged?

BIBLE PASSAGE STUDY QUESTIONS: READ 1 Corinthians 16:5-12

1. What were Paul's plans and what were they based upon? How do you make plans? Are they based upon the same reasons Paul used? Explain.
2. Read Acts 14:2; 19:1, 8-20, 23-30, 20:2; 1 Corinthians 15:32 and discuss the "wide door for opportunity" and the "adversaries" Paul mentions in 1 Corinthians 16:9.
3. If you can, share about an experience of a "door" being opened to you to serve the Lord where you faced opposition. How did you see God work even with the opposition?

4. From Acts 16:1-5, 19:22; 1 Timothy 1:2, 4:12-14; and 2 Timothy 1:2, 6-8 what do you find about Timothy and his relationship with Paul.

5. In 1 Corinthians 16:10-11 Paul gives what charges to the Corinthian church regarding Timothy? Do you find any of these relevant for the church today, and if so, how?

6. What was Apollos' association with the Corinthians (Acts 18:24; 1 Corinthians 1:12, 3:4-9)? Share your thoughts concerning Apollos' response to Paul's urging for him to visit the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 16:12).