



Week 16

April 13th- April 19th 2025

## **I WILL STAY BLAMELESS NO MATTER WHAT!**

**Base Verse: Acts 24:16 NLT**

After Paul's arrest in Jerusalem, he was brought before the Roman governor Felix, where Jewish leaders falsely accused him of 3 lies: stirring up trouble (preaching the Good News), breaking Jewish traditions, breaking God's Laws by bringing non-Jews inside. Paul confidently denied all the charges, standing on the fact that he always strives to do what is right, maintaining honesty and a clear conscience with both God and people. He emphasized that he would never intentionally cause trouble or make God upset. Paul's example reminds us to keep our consciences clear and always choose to do what is right.



## **HOW TO RESPOND TO LIES...**

**Who is the Accuser of the Brethren?**

In the Bible, the "Accuser of the Brethren" is Satan, God's enemy. He tries to make God's people look bad by lying about them and accusing them of doing wrong things. In today's story, Satan tricked the Jewish leaders into lying about Paul.

The best way to destroy a lie is with the truth! For a Christian, we know that God's word is the only truth there is!



### **"ACCUSSATION DRAMA"**

Here's a fun activity to do with a partner! Pretend you are both in a drama scene where one person is the Accuser, and the other is the Defender (you!). The Accuser will say an accusation and you respond with God's truth! Remember, be confident and have fun acting it out!

Example:

**Accuser: "You are not good enough!"**

**Defender: "I am fearfully and wonderfully made!" Psalms 139:14**

How do you feel when you make a good choice and keep your conscience clear?

Is there someone you need to say sorry to or make peace with to keep your conscience clear?

When you mess up, how can you talk to God to make things right again?



## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO KEEP YOUR CONSCIENCE CLEAR?

A conscience is like an inner voice that tells us when something is right or wrong. When we keep our conscience clear, it means we try to make good choices and always tell the truth. It's like keeping our hearts and minds clean and free from guilt.

### THINK ABOUT THIS:

- Have you ever felt guilty after doing something wrong?
- Have you ever felt good after doing something that was right?

Keeping your conscience clear means we don't let guilt build up. We talk to God, ask for forgiveness, and make things right when we mess up.

### ACTIVITY

Circle the things that help keep your conscience clear.



### HOW CAN WE KEEP OUR CONSCIENCE CLEAR BEFORE GOD?

1 John 1:9 – "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

When we mess up, we need to ask God for forgiveness. God always forgives us when we are sorry and want to make things right.

- Telling the truth
- Listening to my parents
- Hiding when I make a mistake
- Saying sorry when I hurt someone
- Helping others
- Praying and asking God for forgiveness