

## **Community Group questions**

**Icebreaker:** If you play Truth or Dare, which category do you pick?

## **Understanding the passage**

Read Acts 14:1-23 (if you have more time, read to 28)

- Share some things you noticed from the passage or remembered from the sermon.
- What happens in each city? How are they similar and different?
- What are the similarities between these events and the ministry of Jesus?
- What is stoning? Why do they use this method to execute people?
- What is the main point and what does it say to us today?

## **Taking stock of our lives**

- Share a time when you faced peer pressure. What did you do?
- Why do you think some of the unbelieving Jewish population responded the way they did (2)? What threat did the Christian message pose?
- What threat did the Christian message pose to Lystra, when they thought Paul and Barnabas were gods?
- Why did people express hostility toward Christians back then? What about today?

## **Applying the Bible to our lives**

- What is the point of Paul's speech in Lystra (15-17)?
- What are some "vain things" (15) that people trust in instead of the living God?
- What are your thoughts on Paul getting up from being stoned and continuing on the next day (19-20)?
- How can we "strengthen the souls" (22) of each other?