

Sermon Discussion Guide Acts: Good Guys and Bad Guys Acts 25:1-22 Ronnie Garcia, January 31, 2021

# Step 1: Reflect on the Text

Read the Scripture printed above. What stands out to you? What do you find interesting and/or important? What is challenging or causes you to have questions?

### Step 2: Reflect on the Sermon

## INTRODUCTION

- 1. Have you ever had a relationship or an experience that helped you to understand that people are more complex than you thought? How did it change your perspective?
- 2. What was your one, big takeaway from the sermon? How would you summarize the main theme of the sermon in one phrase or sentence?

### CASE STUDY: RELIGIOUS LEADERS

3. Have you seen an example of someone who did something awful "in the name of God?" How does humanizing that person help you to see ways that you might be guilty of the same thing?

## CASE STUDY: SECULAR LEADERS

4. Name a time in which people have blamed "religion" for problems in the world. Why are secular worldviews equally likely to propagate injustice in the world?

#### **Step 3: Final Reflections**

- 5. How has your understanding, appreciation, and love for Jesus and the gospel grown as a result of this study?
- 6. In what areas of faith and practice are you feeling convicted by the Holy Spirit to act as a result of this study?