

Kingdom Builders #6 6/18/23 Acts 13

1. Drew began his sermon by asking, "What do you want your life to be?"

**Describe your childhood in terms of "what you wanted to be when you grew up." Did you achieve that dream? Why or why not?

For more discussion: Whether or not we achieved our childhood dream, most of us have developed a vision, desire, or dream about what our life could be like as adults that is a bit more grounded in reality than it was in our childhood. Think about what it took, or what it takes, to accomplish these dreams.

**Is it your natural tendency to give up early or keep persevering once it gets tough?

2. Drew described *faithfulness* as the "secret sauce" of a life lived with Jesus. Eugene Peterson described faithfulness as "long obedience in the same direction."

**Before hearing these ideas about what faithfulness means, what did you think faithfulness meant?

**How does Peterson's definition change or confirm your own ideas about what it means to be faithful to God?

3. The Apostle Paul spent almost an entire decade studying the scriptures from a Jesus perspective before he begins to teach it to others. Yet he still makes the transition from studying to serving. Drew applied this to our lives by saying that many of us have been waiting on God to be faithful for many years, and we are wondering when God is going to do something. But in this example, Paul starts serving others, and then God uses him for the big breakthrough that Paul is famous for - becoming a great missionary.

**Do you feel like you are currently in a time of study or waiting on God? If so, how could you begin to serve others?

**If you are waiting for God to move, what are you really waiting for?

For more discussion: Drew mentioned that "a faithful life looks for God's open doors," and "God blesses our faithfulness with beautiful gospel opportunities."

**What doors might be open for you to serve others? Think of contexts at church, work, in your neighborhood, or your family.

