



**In On It** | April 13, 2016

## Discussion Guide

### The Scoop

A huge part of our faith is sharing it with others, and our success is based on how we approach that endeavor.

People don't want to just talk about it, they want to be "in on it."

### Key Verse

**1 Corinthians 9:19-23 (MSG)**

*I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized—whoever. I didn't take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ—but I entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life. I did all this because of the Message. I didn't just want to talk about it; I wanted to be in on it!*

### Discussion

We tend to share our excitement for things by telling people everything we know about it. It seems the natural progression of these conversations usually leads to an invite to join in on the next endeavor with everything except faith.

1. What is something you are passionate about that you have shared with other people? How did you go about it?
2. In what ways have you had faith conversations with other people?

When it comes to our faith, we have a tendency to try to convince others of our beliefs. We assume we are right and that anybody who believes otherwise, needs to be fixed. However, this approach typically leads to no changed minds and frustration.

3. What are some typical objections of non-Christians about faith or religion?
4. What are some typical complaints that non-Christians have about Christians?

Paul says that he has adjusted his approach to match whoever he was interacting. He tried to experience things from their point of view. He spoke their language, he took interest in the things they liked, and most importantly, he says he attempted to "lead" them into a God-saved life.

5. What do you think it would look like to "lead" someone toward a God-saved life? How would you make faith accessible to someone?
6. How does leading someone into a God-saved life—helping them be in on it—change your perspective on sharing faith?

### What's Next?

The approach to lead someone into a God-saved life is a far cry from trying to fix them. It takes a ton of pressure off of us as we share our faith journey with them and it makes faith much more accessible. The expectation that someone will be a master at faith is the same as expecting them to be the best golfer after one round. This week look for ways to invite people to be in on it—to experience faith—rather than telling them everything you know and just talking about it.