

PAUL, APOSTLE OF CHRIST

A Discussion Guide for the Film

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

- Why did Aquila want to leave Rome?
- Why did Priscilla want to stay in Rome?
- Would you have wanted to stay or leave? Why?
- Have you ever wondered if you were called to work for good in a difficult situation, or leave a difficult situation and work for good elsewhere? What was the situation? What did you decide to do? Why?
- When the Christian community spoke of wisdom, what did they mean?
- Why do you think Paul told them to seek wisdom, instead of telling them what to do?
- What was significant about the Lord's prayer? What happened after the Lord's prayer? What does this remind you of?
- Tarquin, a young convert to the Christian faith, risked his life to deliver a message that could lead the community safely out of Rome. What would you be willing to risk for the sake of the Church? Would you deny your reputation, preferences, or safety?
- Did you know that the Roman Colosseum was used to kill Christians? How do you feel about this? In what ways are Christians persecuted today?
- What struggles of the early Church still exist today?

LUKE AND PAUL

- How would you describe the relationship between Luke and Paul?
- Do you have brothers and sisters in Christ? How can you form quality relationships with your brothers and sisters in Christ?
- What were some of Luke's weaknesses? Paul's?
- What do you think was Paul's "thorn in his side"?
- What is the significance of the young girl from Paul's memory?
- Do you think it was fair that Mauritius's daughter was healed? Why or why not?
- At the end of the movie, Luke and Mauritius talked about belief in Christ. Luke ended the conversation by saying he will pray that Mauritius will one day have an experience of Christ. Have you ever had a conversation like this? How did it go?
- How did you feel about the movie ending with Paul's death?

SCRIPTURE

- What was surprising about the way Scripture was originally recorded? If Scripture were being recorded today, how would it be recorded?
- Were there any Scripture verses you recognized in the film? What were they? Who said them? (*Note: the Christian Community was saying Jesus' words recorded earlier in Scripture*)
- Are there any stories from Scripture you want to re-read now that you have seen this movie? Which ones?