

Discussion Guide for "The Good Story"

Church in the Wild Week 2

We don't like people who rock the boat. People who don't follow the rules. We call them savages. But it's often true that the truly savage are those who enforce the status quo. How can we find the courage to face the God who invites us to be changed, to come... into the wild?

Scriptures for Further Reading

Acts 9:1-18; John 3:19-21 click here to read all scriptures

Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a step-by-step guide here. The passage for this week's sacred reading is Acts 9:1-18.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. What connotations does the word *savage* have for you? What kind of person or people do you think of?
- 2. Review the stories of Stephen (from last week) and Saul. Why did Paul think Stephen was a savage? Who would you say is the real savage? Why?
- 3. Review Saul's confrontation with Jesus. How did Jesus' revelation of his true self challenge Saul's image of himself?
- 4. Put yourself in Ananias' shoes. What would it take for you to have the same courage he showed in the face of God's call?