On July 1, 2018, Calvary Baptist Church and El Calvario restarted a ministry of cooperation between our churches. It's been so exciting to catch up with people from twenty years ago and begin to make many new friends. We are much more complete as we work together to present the gospel of Christ throughout our community. Recently the elders of our churches met to take some next steps in our relationship. And, God manifested His presence among us in a profound way. I asked each elder to take just three minutes to tell us anything about himself. From the first to the last, we heard each one talk about his encounter with Jesus and God's amazing grace. It was a reminder to all of us that God is at work among us. I wish you could have been there.

Your story, like the apostle Paul's before a lynch-mob in Jerusalem, is part of a ready defense (1 Peter 3:15) of the gospel. So, **what is** your story?

Before you knew Jesus

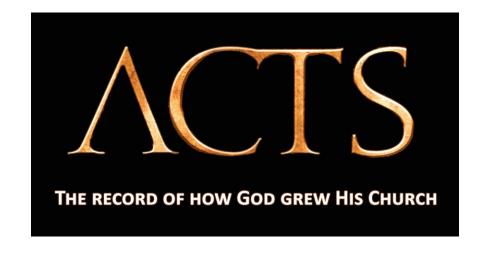
Your encounter with Jesus

Your identity in Christ

His calling upon your life

## **Personal Application and Group Interaction**

- 1. What are some of your favorite memories from your childhood (say 2-13 years old)?
- 2. What was your life like before you met Jesus?
- 3. How did you come to know Jesus?
- 4. Where would you be right now without Jesus?
- 5. To whom have you told the story of how you came to know Jesus and what He's been doing in your life?
- 6. How has God been preparing you for your next opportunity to speak about Jesus to someone who has yet to trust Him personally as Lord and Savior?
- 7. For whom are you praying for that opportunity to speak about the reality of a personal relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior?



## What's your story?

Acts 22:1-22

Pastor John November 4, 2018

