

Bible Summary: Acts 16

Paul and Silas are thrown into prison, at midnight they are praising and worshiping God, there is an earthquake, their chains fall off, but rather than escape they stay and minister to the jailer and his family. The jailer is converted and baptized along with his entire house. No matter what our circumstances are, we need to remember to trust in God with the opportunities he is giving us. Life brings new seasons, new opportunities, new circumstances, don't miss the moment.

Scriptures: Acts 16:22-34

Bible Questions and Application

(These are here as an aid in facilitating conversation.

There is no obligation to run through **every** question listed.)

- 1) Do we allow God to push us into those moments?
- 2) In what areas do we feel afraid or imprisoned?
 - a) Do you see the world put "chains" on your voice for what you think or believe?
 - b) Do we play it safe so that we don't get hurt, or do we open ourselves up to be vulnerable, allowing God to work?
- 3) Do you sing to the Lord in your worst moments?
 - a) Do you use the time of darkness, silence, and pain, in your life to worship the God of the universe, or to focus on the chains and bars of your life?
 - b) Do you have a testimony of a time in your life, previously or currently, where you've felt beaten up by the world, but God worked through it for good?
- 4) Who are you going to share Acts 16 with this week?

