

Life Together Group Questions
November 8, 2015
Acts 16:16-34

1. When you are made aware that this slave girl had a “python spirit” in her, what does that tell you of the nature of Satan and his demonic forces? (vs.16) {See Gen. 3:1-7; Rev. 12:8; Jn. 8:44}
2. What has God revealed in His word in regard to mediums, witchcraft and sorcery? {See Ex. 22:18; Dt. 18:10-14; 1 Sam. 28:8; 2 Chron. 33:6; Rev. 21:8; 22:15}
3. Why is this spirit so willing to proclaim that Paul and Silas are servants of the Most High God? (vs. 17)
4. Why did Paul wait so long to cast out the spirit in the girl? (vs. 18)
5. What do we understand about how Jesus sets us free from Satan? (Jn. 12:31-32; Col. 2:13-15; Heb. 2:14; 1 Jn. 3:8)
6. What chance did Paul and Silas have to address the charges leveled at them? (vss. 18-24) How do you usually respond when you have suffered injustice?
7. What was surprising about how Paul & Silas respond in jail? (vs. 25) What heart may have motivated him? (Matt 5:11-12; Jn. 16:33 Acts 5:41; 1 Pet. 4:12-14) How can we cultivate a heart like that of Paul & Silas?
8. Vs. 25 talks about how Paul & Silas’ fellow prisoners listened to them as they prayed and praised. What kind of impact do you think that had on those who were in the jail?
9. Read vss 26-30. What were the emotions and thoughts that the jailer experienced in such a short period? Why did he ask Paul & Silas what he needed to do to be saved?
10. How did Paul & Silas answer? (vs. 31) How would you use this verse in sharing Christ with others?
11. Why do they include the jailer’s household?
12. What do you notice about the sequence of events in vss. 32-34? (baptism, belief, etc.)
13. What is similar to 16:14-15 in Lydia’s household?
14. Pastor Nathan talked about being set free from a false source of life. What are you tempted to look to for life outside of Christ?
15. How does this passage help you take another step in Pursuing Jesus?
16. How does this passage help equip you to serve Christ and His body?
17. How does this passage help you share Christ with others that need to know Him?
18. What is a question that was not asked about this passage that you would like to ask?

SERMON OUTLINE:

- Set Free From The Bondage of Satan (vss.16-18)
- Set Free From Joy Based In Circumstances (vs.25)
- Set Free From A False Source of Life (vss.19-34)