



Better Together, Week 4, *Demonstrating Life In Christ Together*

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Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion.
Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through “observation” leaving enough time for “reflection”, “discussion”, and “surrender.”

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: *What does this scripture passage say?*

Read: Acts 16:17-34

1. What crimes were Paul and Silas accused of? (v16-21)
2. Describe the experience of Paul and Silas in jail. (v22-28)
3. What blessings were enjoyed by everyone involved? (v29-34)

Reflection and Discussion: *What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?*

Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

4. Even though Paul and Silas were falsely accused, beaten, and jailed, when the opportunity to flee presented itself because of the earthquake, they stayed. What ideas, perspectives, influences, and attitudes would cause Paul and Silas to stay and interact with the jailer? What is going on here?
5. Read Philippians 1:29-2:8. Paul, probably remembering his prison experience in Acts 16, encourages the Philippians to look at others through a Gospel lens when interpreting life's situations. What makes this difficult and complex? Do you have a story about God enabling you to see a difficult life situation through a gospel lens?
6. When we are wronged or offended, full of anger and indignation, we have the opportunity to respond like Christ and like Paul and “not hit back”. What are the benefits? Why does this matter?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

7. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

**** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today ****

We're here!

We would love to hear about how things are going in your small group!

Reach out any time with questions, ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

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