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But while Peter was in prison, the church prayed very earnestly  
for him.

Acts 12:5

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About that time King Herod Agrippa began to persecute some believers in the church. He had the apostle James (John's brother) killed with a sword.

Acts 12:1-2

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The Actions of Expectation:

1. Uncommon Prayer

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Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. “Quick, get up!” he said, and the chains fell off Peter’s wrists.

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Then the angel said to him, “Put on your clothes and sandals.”  
And Peter did so. “Wrap your cloak around you and follow me,”  
the angel told him.

Acts 12:7-8

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They passed the first and second guard posts and came to the iron gate leading to the city, and this opened for them all by itself. So they passed through and started walking down the street, and then the angel suddenly left him.

Acts 12:10

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Peter knocked at the outer entrance, and a servant named Rhoda came to answer the door.

When she recognized Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed she ran back without opening it and exclaimed, "Peter is at the door!"

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“You’re out of your mind,” they told her. When she kept insisting that it was so, they said, “It must be his angel.”

But Peter kept on knocking, and when they opened the door and saw him, they were astonished.

Acts 12:13-16

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The church kept praying (verse 5)

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The servant kept insisting (Verse 15)

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Peter kept knocking (Verse 16)

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## The Actions of Expectation:

1. Uncommon Prayer
2. Common Obedience
3. Unwavering Persistence