

A FAITH FOR ALL

Acts 16:1-19

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. JESUS VALUES ALL LIVES BUT HE PRIORITIZED THE MARGINALIZED
2. FREEDOM COMES WHEN WE ORIENT OUR LIVES AROUND JESUS
3. JESUS EMBRACES US BEFORE WE CAN EMBRACE HIM

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. How would you describe the "type" of person that people tend to think Christianity is for? Where do you think these assumptions come from?
3. Do you relate more to Lydia or to the slave girl in this passage from Acts 16? Why?
4. Paul caused quite a commotion in a lot of the places he preached the gospel. Most of us 21st century Christians are certainly not as disruptive as he was. Was it just a different time or do you think we are too passive? Could we do more? If so, what might that look like?
5. One of the main ideas this week was that "Jesus values all lives but He prioritized the marginalized." What are some ways that we can use what influence we have in our church, family, workplace and society to prioritize and empower those who are marginalized?
6. What is something from this week's message that you'd like to learn more about or apply in your life? What is your plan to make that happen?
7. In the stories of Lydia and the slave girl we see the gospel going to wildly different people in wildly different ways. Describe a time when you were impacted by a reasoned discussion about Jesus (like Lydia). Describe a time when you were impacted by a powerful display of what God can do (like the slave girl).
8. OPEN DISCUSSION TOPIC: You could spend time as a group talking about what it might look like to reorient your lives around Jesus like Lydia did. You could talk about different ways that you can use the gifts, talents and resources you have to help others find the freedom in Jesus that you already have.