

KEEP THE MAIN THING SERMON SERIES
POINT TO JESUS



ACTS 16:22-30 | CHRIS WINANS | MARCH 22, 2020

THE STORY – ACTS 16:16-40

Verses 16-18 – Normal Life: What were Paul & Silas doing in the city? Why were they there? What parts of this passage show Paul & Silas were focused on God's purposes?

Verses 19-24 – Trouble: Where did Paul & Silas' trouble come from? How could they have avoided this problem? Should we expect smooth sailing when we are doing God's will?

Verses 25-34 – Joy in Problems: What did God have planned for the jailer? What role did Paul & Silas have in God's plans? What good came about in these circumstances?

GOD IS IN CHARGE – ACTS 16:35-40

Verses 35-36 – Deliverance: How did God's missionary team gain freedom? What part did they have in their release?

Verses 37-39 – Responding to Deliverance: Did Paul & Silas react properly? What should our expectations be when God brings us through crisis?

Verse 40 – Back to Normal Life: What did God's servants do with God's deliverance? What should we do when life returns to normal after crisis? Why?

Read Isaiah 26:1-4. What do these verses say about the Lord? What is the author asking his readers to do? What is your view of the Lord during these times? Where is your trust?

OUR FOCUS IN TROUBLE – PSALM 123

Verse 1: Who should we worship? How do our circumstances impact our worship?

Verse 2: What are some ways we can keep our minds on the Lord our God? What mercies is God able to provide us?

Verses 3,4: How do these verses treat the trouble we go through? Where is the source of our comfort? How do these verses teach us to experience peace when we are going through adversity?

Read Philippians 4:8-9. Take some time to reflect on the admirable and lovely qualities of God. Find your favorite hymn or praise song and listen to it. Read a psalm of praise and meditate on it.