

# LIFEGROUP

## FAITH STUDY – TRIUMPH IN FAITH

### WARMING UP

1. Highs and lows: share with your group a highlight and a lowlight that happened this past week, and what you learnt about God through them.

### READ ACTS 16:16-18

2. What do we learn about the girl from the passage?
3. What was she declaring?
4. Why was Paul annoyed? Wasn't she declaring the truth? Why or why not?

### READ ACTS 16:19-24

5. What was the consequence of Paul and Silas' actions?
6. Do you think it was fair they were punished physically and put into prison? Why or why not?

### READ ACTS 16:25-40

7. Accounts of the apostles being imprisoned were also recorded in Acts 5 and Acts 12, what happened differently this time compared to the previous occasions?
8. Why didn't Paul declare he was a Roman citizen to spare the pain of physical assault and being imprisoned?
9. What do we know about the jailer in this passage?

### APPLYING IT PERSONALLY

10. In your opinion, what do you find to be the most significant aspect of this whole story? Why?
11. Identify the characters in this story, which one of them do you relate to the most and why? Which person would you like to strive to become similar to and why?
12. What typically happens to you when you struggle with hardship? How can we be encouraged to still pray and sing during those times?

For the past three weeks, James Tang shared with us, 6 points to summarise Acts 16:

- A church is **strengthened** when it is **outward looking**
- A church is **strengthened** when it **builds within**
- The strengthened church **goes** where the **spirit leads**
- The strengthened church **goes** where the **people are**
- The church **triumphs** when it **declares truth**
- The church **triumphs** when it **worships at all hours**

13. If you remember, share with the group what you can recall about the above points.
14. Which of the above do you need God to help you with? Why? (Be it one or many or all of them)

### MOVING FORWARD IN PRAYER

Spend some time in your life groups, praying about those 6 points, and ending your session sharing with each other any struggles you have recently been experiencing, but instead of praying in petition, praise God through the midst of this hardship. And if possible, end in worship of praise and thanksgiving.

*This study is based from James Tang's sermon with the same title.  
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