



## Chainbreaker

Acts 16:16-34

Growth Group Discussion Questions for October 29, 2017

### Getting Started:

- 1) Do you consider yourself an optimist or pessimist?
  
- 2) **READ:** Acts 16:16-34.
  - The female slave in this story was speaking the truth about Paul and his message. Why would Paul want to stop her?
  
  - What were the consequences of Paul & Silas breaking this woman free from a spirit of divination?
  
  - In the midst of a highly discouraging situation Paul and Silas choose to pray and sing hymns. Which sentence do you feel best describes Paul and Silas' perspective in this situation? Why?
    - They trusted that their situation would work out fine and so by faith praised God.
    - They believed that the real enemy they faced was spiritual and so used prayer and praise as a powerful weapon against the spiritual dark forces
    - They were scared to death so they prayed and sang hymns to build their hope in Jesus.
    - They deliberately used prayer and hymns as a creative way to witness to their captive audience
  
  - Through prayer and song, not only were Paul and Silas' chains broken, but also all the prisoners' in the jail. When you face opposition and/or adversity, how might your perspective impact those around you?

## Going Deeper:

3) **READ:** 2 Timothy 3:10-17 Jot down any insights, questions, or key observations.

- In their darkest hour Paul and Silas were already equipped to go through adversity. Besides prayer and singing, what else does Paul tell Timothy equips believers to fulfill their purpose in Christ?
- How have these practices helped you maintain a godly perspective in the midst of adversity? What other practices are a help to you?

4) **READ:** 1 Timothy 4:7-10. Jot down any insights, questions, or key observations.

- What does it mean to train your self to be godly?

## Bringing it Home:

5) What are you doing to DAILY build these practices into your life?

6) In light of this teaching, what is the Spirit inviting you to this week?