



# Oakwood

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## CHURCH

### April 18 Discussion Questions

#### “Trust God to Do More!”

Acts 16:16-34

#### *Preview*

**BIG IDEA:** God is calling us to trust Him to do more in us and through us.

- 1. Trust God to work a solution out of your setback. (v.19-24)**
  1. Our pain is God’s way of positioning us for Gospel impact.
  2. We must learn to focus on God’s promises, not our problems.
- 2. Trust God to work a song out of your silence. (v.25-26)**
  1. God gives us new songs to sing for each new circumstance (Ps 33:3; 40:3; 96:1; Is 42:10)
  2. Singing allows our discouraging emotions we feel in our heart to be persuaded by the encouraging truths we know in our minds.
- 3. Trust God to work salvation out of your skepticism. (v.27-34)**
  1. We must believe God can save the most unlikely of sinners.
  2. If God was willing to sacrifice His only Son, then He is more than willing to work salvation for anyone.

#### *Connect*

1. What are some common, everyday things you put your trust in but also take for granted? Give an example of when one of those things unexpectedly let you down.
2. In what way is the object of our trust tied to our level of peace?

***Pray & Read Acts 16:16-34***

## ***Discuss & Apply***

3. What setback did Paul and Silas face in this passage? What brought it on?
4. What solution did God bring out of their setback?
5. What is a setback you've experienced that God used to work His solutions through?
6. What are God's promises to us in our problems? What can you do to increase your focus on God's promises and not the problem? Is there a current problem you are facing that you need to apply this to?
7. What were Paul and Silas doing in v.25? Why is it profound that they were singing?
8. Do you think it's important to sing as a Christian? Why? What happens if we don't sing?
9. How has singing benefited your spiritual life? Has God placed a particular song on your heart for this current season? Why that one?
10. Why was Paul's care for the Philippian jailer surprising? What does this communicate about what Paul believed was possible?
11. Who in your life would you admit you have skepticism regarding whether they would ever come to know the Lord?
12. In what ways do you believe God can and is working in these people's lives? What can you do to join God in His work and prove you believe salvation is possible?
13. What is your key takeaway from this passage or the sermon?

## ***Prayer***

Pray for God to build your trust in whatever area you most need it.

## ***Oakwood Prayer Focus***

Pray those we interact with will be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's work leading to transformed lives.