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NEXT STEPS

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THE LIFE OF PAUL

**Formed By
Joyful Trust
Acts 16:16-34**

Questions to *Dig Deeper*:

1. Where do you see “trust” on display in this passage—both healthy trust and misplaced trust? What do the slave owners, Paul and Silas, and the jailer each reveal about what they rely on most?
2. Paul and Silas choose prayer and praise while unjustly imprisoned. What do you think makes that possible? How does joyful trust differ from optimism or denial of pain?
3. The loss of the slave owners’ income leads to anger, blame, and violence. What does this teach us about how we often react when the things we depend on are threatened?
4. Why do you think Paul and Silas stay in prison when the doors open and the chains fall off? What does this moment reveal about their understanding of freedom and faithfulness?
5. The jailer’s life is transformed by Paul and Silas trust in the gospel. How might our responses to hardship shape or influence the faith of others watching us?