

PAUL & SILAS: Worshipping in the Midnight Hour Acts 16 Pastor Ryan Jantz, LifeSpring Church, 05.17.20

BIGIDEA:

Even though the night is long, I will worship the Lord.

Insight into isolation:

- Sometimes Isolation begins with good intentions. Acts 16:18
- 2. Isolation happens when we are met by an ungrateful response.

Acts 16:19-21

3. Isolation happens when there is a quick u-turn in our circumstances.

Acts 16:22-24

4. The walls of isolation come tumbling down through worship. Acts 16:25-30

APPLICATION:

Be in the center of God's will.

Live in the Gospel every day.

Remember God's power.

BIG IDEA:

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"And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour."

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"But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers."

"And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, 'These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice.'" "The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely."

"Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks."

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"About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God"

"and the prisoners were listening to them,"

"and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened."

"When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here."

"And the jailer[e] called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them out and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

"They said, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

"And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family"

"Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them.

And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God."

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