

Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of September 13-14, 2025

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

Growing in Freedom

(Acts 16:16-40)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud Acts 16:16-40.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Alan's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

If you currently feel bound-up or stuck, share a bit about this current experience.

Or if you have felt this way during a season of the past, share what this looked like.

Within this text, Pastor Alan highlights three stories of freedom.

First story of freedom - Freedom from demonic influence. (vs. 18)

If you have experienced bondage in the past or maybe in the present, how do you determine if this may be demonic in nature?

Have you considered whether this bondage could be demonic in nature? If not, why so?

To help describe what allowing demonic influence can look like for a believer, Pastor Alan used the analogy of allowing an uninvited person to take residence in your garage.

Where, if anywhere, might you be allowing evil influences to take unwelcome residence in your life? Where have you let your guard down?

What could it look like to shore up your defenses?

If you feel like you may need to explore deliverance from demonic influence, what, if anything could be holding you back from seeking this type of assistance?

Second story of freedom - Freedom from systemic evil. (vs. 19-22)

When, if ever, have you felt stuck in a system/environment of evil?

The jailer was able to break free from the environment around him by believing in Jesus (v. 31).

If you find yourself living in a system of evil, what steps could you take to break free from this reality?

Or maybe you find yourself immersed in a “group think/consensus of thought” that is not beneficial. If this is the case, what does this look like and how can you move out of this reality?

Third story of freedom – Freedom from being bound to circumstance (vs. 25)

How easy or difficult is it for you to find joy/peace amidst challenging circumstances?

When have you been able to find joy during a storm?

If you are struggling to find joy within a challenging season, what might it take to experience what Paul and Silas were able to tap into?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend’s message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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