



Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions

Topic: *Philippi: Battling the World*

Text: Acts 16:11-40

Service Date: October 5, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- What's one light-hearted thing for which you'll always support? (Examples: Coke vs. Pepsi, Pineapple on Pizza, Ford vs. Chevy, Snow vs. Sunshine?) Why do you think you're so passionate about it?
- What's something you feel like the Holy Spirit has been saying to you or leading you towards in the last week or two? If you haven't been feeling led, how has your prayer life been recently?

Sermon Discussion

- Jaelene Daniels made bold choices based on her Christian convictions—even when they cost her popularity and opportunities.
 - Have you ever felt cultural pressure to compromise your faith?
 - What helped (or would help) you stand firm?
- Read Acts 16:16–18. Paul stops a slave girl's endorsement even though her words were true. Why do you think Paul did that?
 - Are there times when the promotion of Christian leaders in our culture can do more harm than good?
- In knowing that every Christian is called to help others in their spiritual walk (and even “win” them to Jesus), what are some of the biggest cultural, relational, or spiritual challenges you face when trying to do this?
- Paul and Silas were wrongly accused, beaten, and imprisoned for doing good—and they worshiped anyway. When you face opposition or hardship for your faith, what helps keep you focused on Jesus and sharing the Gospel?
- The sermon mentioned two challenges for us:
 - Prioritize worship even when spiritually battling.
 - Seize moments where Jesus can be shared.Which challenge spoke to you more—and why?
- Acts 16 includes two powerful conversion stories—Lydia and the Philippian jailer. Both began with hospitality and a conversation in the home. What does this teach us about sharing Jesus with others?

- If you're a Christian, what's your conversion story? Who played a key role in helping you come to faith in Jesus?
 - Have you ever discipled someone to become a follower of Jesus? What was that experience like—or what do you imagine it would be like?
 - When we seek to make a difference in someone else's spiritual walk, it causes us to be mindful of our own. Do you see a correlation between your own Christian walk and the potential impact you can have on others? (i.e. You are trying to disciple someone in their faith but frequently miss staying active on Sundays in church and wonder why they don't find you consistent in your faith.)
 - What are some recent moments when you seized the opportunity to share Jesus—or wish you had? What can help you stay spiritually alert and ready for those moments?
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This Week's Action Response

- This week, how can you keep worship a priority- even if life feels difficult or distracting?
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Impact Opportunity

The African Children's Choir is going to be performing at Tri-Village on Monday evening, Oct. 27. We're looking for individuals/families who would be open to hosting children in their homes for Sunday-Tuesday night. If you'd be available or would like more information, visit tri-village.org/choir to sign-up. (Note: Children can share beds and prefer to sleep in the same room so host homes do not need a lot of space.)