

# Sermon Discussion Questions for Small Groups

Week of February 11th

Sermon Titled: "The Power of God When We Are Brought Low"

**Open in Prayer. Read Acts 16:16-40.**

**As you begin, ask the group:** How would you summarize the main points of the sermon? What stood out to you about the sermon? What questions did you have? What challenged you?

*Note for the discussion and application questions: choose a couple of the questions below to discuss and go deeper with the sermon together.*

## Application & Discussion Questions

1. How would you summarize the message and flow of Acts to this point?
2. How do you define suffering? How do you define blessing? Can suffering and blessing be the same thing? Why or why not?
3. When you are brought low, how do you typically respond? Is there anything going on in your life that has brought you low?
4. Pastor Chad shared that, "suffering is the context for God's glory and mercy to be extended into the lives of others." How is that possible? How have you personally experienced this?
5. While suffering in prison, Paul and Silas sung prayed and sang hymns to God, which is a concrete depiction of "joy amid suffering" (Rom. 5:3, Jas. 1:2, 1 Pet. 5:6). What habits are you cultivating now that would help you turn to the Lord in future times of trouble?
6. Paul sees every opportunity – even suffering in prison – as one for gospel proclamation and service. How would life as a Christian look different if we as the church lived with the same attitude?

**Prayer Focus:** Pray for Claire Kornfield as she begins to work at For the Nations Refugee Outreach as a PCPC home-sent missionary. Pray for her to abide in Christ as she shares the grace of Christ with refugees in Dallas.