



GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF JULY 9, 2023 | SUMMER ROAD TRIP: INVITE THEM IN

WARM-UP QUESTION

What is one skill or hobby you've always wanted to learn or pursue?

DISCUSS

- Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's message. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read Acts 16: 11-15

- Why do you think Paul and Silas went to look for people who might be meeting for prayer?
- Based on what we know in these verses, how would you describe Lydia's faith before Paul and Silas spoke with her? How would you describe her faith after they spoke with her and the Lord opened her heart?
- How does Lydia demonstrate hospitality?

Read Acts 16:16-24

- How is the authority of Jesus demonstrated in these verses?
- How do the interactions between Paul, Silas, the master of the slave girl, and the city officials reflect the cultural and religious context of the time?
- Do you see any similarities between the culture then and our culture today?

Read Acts 16:25-40

- What does Paul and Silas's response to being beat and thrown in prison say about their faith in God?
- What circumstances allow Paul and Silas to receive an opportunity to share the gospel with the jailer and his household?
- How does the jailer demonstrate hospitality?
- In verse 40, how is Lydia's home a picture of the church?
- Who in your life needs to be seen, heard, and loved?
- How can you practice hospitality this week based on the environments you'll be in and the people you'll interact with?

RESPOND

- Based on what you just discussed, what do you think God is prompting you to do in response? When will you do it?
- Pray together as a group for the specific goals or areas of struggle that came up in your discussion. Thank God for revealing more of who He is, and ask Him to help you apply what He's prompting you to do this week.