

Community Group Questions

November 9, 2014 | God For Us [part 2] | Acts 5:17-42

Open (discuss one or both)

What is the most intimidating group of people you've faced, and what happened? If you were in jail and depending on your own wits to get out, what ruses would you try?

Dig

Read Acts 5:17-20 and 40-42. What are some lessons we can learn from the miracle that "didn't deliver"? Which resonates with you and why?

How do you explain why God sometimes delivers you out of hardships and at other times allows you to go through them? (Consider Hebrews 11:32-40, James 1:2-4 and any other Scriptures you might think appropriate.)

Why is obedience in the face of opposition such an effective response to intimidation?

How would you describe the relationship between love and obedience? What correlations did Jesus draw? (Consider John 14:15 and 21; also 1 John 2:3-6.)

Reflect

What is your biggest hindrance to obedience? What one thing will you change this week to make obedience a reality in your life?

Look for at least one opportunity this week to share your faith, then tell your group next week how it went. Take some time to pray for each other, that you will have bold faith and see and seize the opportunities God gives you.