



Life Group Story Guide (Week 1)

Theme: “The Power Of Prayer And Fasting”, **Story Guide 1: Acts 12:1-18** (When GOD Says “Yes”)

Open in Prayer, Welcome & Introductions

Review of Life Group Guidelines

Hook Question:

Have you ever been locked out of somewhere — your house, your car, your job — how did you feel and what eventually happened?

Background of tonight’ story: In Acts 11, Peter defends his decision to preach to Gentiles, explaining how GOD showed him that salvation is for everyone, for both Jews and Gentiles. The Jerusalem church accepts it and praises GOD. Meanwhile, the church in Antioch grows strong, many Gentiles believe, and Barnabas and Saul teach there. Believers are first called “Christians” in Antioch, and the church sends help to those facing famine in Judea.

Tell the Story: This week’s Bible passage is found in **Acts 12:1-18**

Rebuild the Story

Read the Story out loud (look for additions or omissions)

Questions:

- What does this passage teach you about praying with expectation?
- Rhoda was so overjoyed that she left Peter at the door! How do you respond when you see GOD move? Do you tend to overlook it, celebrate it, or doubt it?
- The early church came together to pray for Peter. When was a time you experienced the power of community in your own struggles?
- The early church didn’t just pray — they acted in faith. What is one step you can take this week to show GOD’S love to someone who might feel ‘imprisoned’ by life’s struggles or who feels stuck or forgotten?

Review & Retell the Story

Assign Next Week's Story: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Close in Prayer