



**Title** | We Are All Here  
**Series** | The Church That Changed the World  
**Text** | Acts 16:25-34  
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## Sermon Notes

**Acts 16:25** About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, **26** and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. **27** When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. **28** But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." **29** And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. **30** Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" **31** And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." **32** And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. **33** And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. **34** Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God. *ESV*

### Big Idea:

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## **For Reflection and Application:**

### **Monday:**

Read Acts 16:6-25. At midnight, Paul and Silas would likely have been in prison for twelve hours or more. How do you think Paul and Silas feel? Do they deserve this? Is it fair? Has ministry in Philippi been as fruitful as they had hoped? Do they know why this is happening to them? Is there any relief in sight?

### **Tuesday:**

Read Acts 16:25. Why are Paul and Silas praying and singing? Why do you think the other prisoners are listening?

### **Wednesday:**

Read Acts 16:26-28. Was the earthquake a miracle? Why or why not? Why does Paul seem more concerned with the wellbeing of the jailer than his own liberation? What does this suggest about Paul's perspective and the nature of his prayers?

### **Thursday:**

Read Acts 16:29-32. Why does the jailer ask this question? According to Paul and Silas what must a person do to be saved? What "word of the Lord" did Paul and Silas speak to the jailer and his household?

### **Friday:**

Read Acts 16:33-34. Did the jailer and his family get saved? How do you know? How can you follow the example of Paul and Silas amid your hardships?

### **Daily Prayer:**

Lord, I trust in your sovereign, loving hand in my life, ensuring what is best for me, even when I don't understand. I present myself to you this moment. How may I serve you? How can I bring life? I am at your service. Amen.