STUDY NOTES – JUNE 2. 2019

Sermon Series: "Impact"

Pastor Kris preaches from the English Standard Version (ESV). Sermons on line at camanochapel.org.

Acts 16

How God makes an impact:

1. An uncommon life (V. 25)

Acts 16:25 (ESV) — 25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them,

- o A prayer: "Father God, help me to go the opposite direction of my culture."
- **2. A crisis point** (Vs. 26-30)

Acts 16:26–30 (ESV) — 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?"

o A prayer: "Father God, help me to **be sensitive to your open doors**."

Examples of open doors with non-believers:

- 1. When they ask what you did over the weekend.
- 2. When they **share a need with you**.
- 3. When they go through a crisis.
- 4. When you go through a crisis. [Share your hope.]
- 5. When they ask you why you're different.
- 6. When they talk about values, priorities, or spiritual issues.
- 7. When they're *in the hospital*. [Pray with them]
- 8. Anytime! [The power of the gospel is constant]

3. A word of truth (Vs. 31-32)

Acts 16:31–32 (ESV) — 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.

o A prayer: "Father God, give me courage to share the uncompromising Gospel."

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- ➤ Have someone read Sunday's passage: Acts 16:25-32
 - O What truths stand out to you?
 - 1. What are some noticeable differences between the Christianity and secular culture?
 - o How can we communicate our different values without offending nonbelievers?
 - What are some specific ways you can shine the light of Christ in your neighborhood and/or workplace?
 - 2. What are some specific crisis points that you have seen in nonbelievers?
 - O Share a time where you had an open door through a nonbelievers crisis point
 - o How were you able to minister to them through the words of the gospel?
 - 3. Why is it so challenging to share the gospel?
 - What are some ways to get over the fear of sharing the gospel?

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