

The Week in the Word

Acts Worksheet #21: The Lord Delivers Peter From Prison

Passage: Acts 12:1-25

Sermon Dates: August 16,17

Study Period: (August 18-24)

Link Group Meetings: (August 18-24)

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1. Read Acts 12. What would you say is Herod's motivation in persecuting the Church? (v.1-3)
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2. Which James was killed? What potential effect would the death of James and Peter have on the church?
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3. What were the enemies of the church anticipating? (v.2-4,11)
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4. What did the Church do about the situation?
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5. What precautions does Herod take with Peter? List them. Why would he go to so much trouble?
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6. What was Peter doing when the Angel came to rescue him?
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7. List the steps of his rescue. What were Peter's responses to the commands of the angel?
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8. How did Peter interpret the things that were happening to him?
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9. Name all of the barriers that were miraculously overcome to get Peter out of prison. (7-10)

10. When and where did Peter realize what had happened?

11. How did Peter get to Mary's house? What is going on when Peter arrives there? (12)

12. How did Rhoda respond to Peter's arrival? (14)

13. How did the people inside explain away her statement about Peter? Why did they give these reasons? (15)

14. Sometimes it is hard to recognize answered prayer, even when it is delivered to your door. Why are those who have been praying so amazed? What should their response have been?

15. What happened to the guards? (18-19)

16. What happened to Herod, and why? How should we respond when we receive adulation from others?

17. What does verse 24 mean?

18. Pray for believers around the world who are experiencing opposition and persecution for their faith. Do you know anyone specifically who could use your prayers for their ministry?