

# Sermon Based Notes

\*These notes are available for your personal or group study time. They are created to allow you to study the sermon material from Sunday a bit further.



## Heaven - How can I be sure?

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1. What questions do you have as a result of the message?
2. Read Acts 16:22-25. If you were thrown into prison like this, how do you think you would respond? What do you think motivates Paul and Silas to sing?
3. Read Acts 16:26-30.  
Why do you think the jailor suddenly had a “wake up call” and wanted to be saved?  
Share a time in your life when God gave you a wake up call to make you realize your need for Him.
4. Read Romans 3:10-20. Do you find this hard to accept or easy to accept? Why?
5. Read Acts 16:31-34. What do you think it means to believe in Jesus?  
What’s the difference between belief that saves and belief that doesn’t save (James 2:19 says that the demons believe)?  
Think about ceremonies you’ve been part of (graduation, weddings, funerals). Why do we need ceremonies? What does that teach us about the importance of baptism?
6. Why do you think the jailor, Paul and Silas all thought it was important to have the baptism “at that hour of the night”? Why not just wait until morning?  
When someone believes, why do you think it’s important not to procrastinate being baptized?
7. Read Acts 16:34. Why do you think the jailor was so joyful?  
Read John 14:1-4. Jesus told His followers not to be troubled because He was preparing a home for them in heaven.  
What about heaven gives you hope and joy?  
Do you think most people find as much hope and joy in heaven as they could? Why? Why not?  
How can looking forward to a home in heaven help you have more joy today?
8. Do you know anyone who doesn’t have confidence in heaven?  
What can you do this week to help them?  
Pray for them?  
Serve them?  
Ask spiritual questions to start a conversation?  
Something else?