



Unsung Heroes: Week 4 — “Commitment of Silas”

CONNECT: How many sports references did Scott use in his message on Sunday? Have everyone throw out a guess.

**The answer is 4*

GROW:

1. **Read Acts 16:16-24.** What kinds of corruption and evil stand out to you most in how this culture operates? Do you see any of this present in our culture today? If so, what?
2. **Read Acts 16:25-34.**
 - a. What stands out to you from this scripture and from the message about the character and commitment of Silas?
 - b. Scott talked about the bell that Navy SEALs can ring if they want to stop, and how his friend said that ringing the bell was just *not* an option—he was going to be a SEAL or die. Can the same be said for you in the way you follow Jesus? Are you all in, with no tap-out or bell ringing as an option? If not, what do you think holds you back from following Jesus with everything in you?
3. Scripture tells us that other prisoners heard Paul and Silas praying and singing while they were in prison. Scott gave us this encouragement: *“Pray now so you will be found praying later. Sing now so you will be found singing later.”*
 - a. What does your prayer life look like?
 - b. Do you spend time singing songs to God throughout the day? Why or why not?
 - c. We know the impact Paul and Silas had on the jailer and his family, but how do you think it impacted the other prisoners who heard them pray and sing to God in the middle of persecution and suffering?
 - d. How do you think it would impact the people around us if we were found praying and singing through the struggles we faced?

PRAY: Spend time praying for each other as you strive to follow Jesus like Paul and Silas. Pray about the things that are holding you back or any fears you have.

NEXT: Spend time this week praying and singing out to God no matter what your circumstances are.