



When Pigs Fly Miracle of Protection

Look Back – Care, Praise, Loving Accountability, Vision – 20 mins This is a time to see how everyone’s week was. Were they successful in the previous week’s goals? Were they unsuccessful? It’s also a time to pour vision into your group. Give them the why behind things we are doing church wide. **Make sure to have your update outline with you so you can reference different points from the sermon.**

- Talk about a time you know God protected you. **(Be ready to start the conversation)**
- What did you take away from this message that you’d never fully realized before?

Look Up – What does the Bible say? Practice – 20 mins

- Joe said, “Not everything happens for a reason but Jesus can bring reason to everything that happens”. Do you agree or disagree? Why?
- Read Acts 16:16-34. Why do you think Paul and Silas didn’t complain but instead praised? What impact did that have on those around them in a similar circumstance?
- Joe said there are two times to praise God: When you feel like it and when you don’t. Talk about a time when you praised even when circumstances were bad. What happened? **(Share a personal story)**
- Joe said that the demoniac girl, the jailer and Lydia (Acts 16:11-15) went on to plant a very successful church in their city. How did that bring reason and meaning to the suffering of Paul and Silas? What does that say about what God can do with our circumstances?
- Read Matthew 6:13. Jesus tells us to pray for protection. So why do you think we often fail to do so? What about you personally?

Look Forward – Set Goals (For Accountability), Commission and Pray – 20 mins

Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Commit to praying for protection over you family and friends. Add this to your daily prayer routine.
- As we gear up for Easter pray that God opens doors for you to invite friends, coworkers, neighbors and family to Shift’s Easter celebrations. Pray against satan’s influence and for protection. Write down specific names you want to pray for and invite. Share those names with your SG so that we can all pray together!