



***Sleepwalking Through a Miracle Acts 12**

One Amazing Story

Release: God surprises Peter with a miraculous release. vv. 1-11

Response: The Church prays without expecting an answer. vv. 5, 12-17

Rebuke: God surprises Herod with a humiliating end. vv. 18-25

Two Life Lessons

- 1. God does not clock out so wake up to His work in your life.**
- 2. God is in control of the outcome so we must trust Him with the process.**

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REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

1. Think back over your life and recall a time when God was doing something very significant but you couldn't see it at the time. How does that incident encourage you today?
2. Jesus taught His disciples to pray in Luke 11:1-13. What are two or three insights from this passage that you can apply in your prayer life?
3. Herod lives and dies by the sin of pride. How does God view pride and how does He deal with it? See Prov. 3:34; James 5:6-10; 1 Peter 5:5-7. Do you have areas of pride in your heart that need to be dealt with?
4. Read Romans 8:1-39. Make a list of all the reasons you can trust God no matter what happens in the circumstances of your life.

Memory Verse

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21