

**First Baptist Church of Hampton**  
**Rev. Dr. Todd C. Davidson, Senior Pastor**  
**July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Sermon Outline Closed Notes:**

**Sermon Scripture:** Acts 16:25 (GNT)

**Message Title:** He is Still a Prayer Answering God!

**Current Context:**

- Prayer is the **lifeblood**, the **soul-force** for the Believer.
- God still answers **prayer** and gives **peace**.
- Prayer is essentially about asking God to “**Spot**” you!
  - Think about times where you needed God to “**Spot**” you...did He meet or exceed your expectations?
- Two friends, **Paul** and **Silas** are locked in a dungeon in Caesarea Philippi.
- They are locked up for a few reasons:
  - They stopped the **exploitation** of a young girl who had been enslaved.
  - Invoking the name and power of **Jesus** was viewed as a direct **threat** to the systems of oppression they had set up.
- They remembered that God has a track record of deliverance, so they decided that **prayer** and **praise** was their primary option.
- They firmly believed that God **still** answers prayer!

**Relevant Question:**

- What is the evidence that GOD still answers prayer?

**Sermon Observations:**

1. Prayer **activates** God’s **power**!
2. Prayer changes your **praise**!

**Calvary Connection:**

- Jesus is God’s ultimate answer to our **prayers**! Born in a barnyard; **hunted** by Herod; **smuggled** into Africa; and **tempted** in the wilderness! And His life reveals God’s power! He preached with power; **healed** the sick; **raised** the dead; **fed** the masses...but I praise God because He was betrayed by a **buddy**; denied by a friend; and nailed to a **tree**! But early on Sunday morning, He got up with ALL POWER to keep giving peace and to give us hope that God is still a prayer answering God!