

JULY 6-12

# Under God

**Ice  
Breaker**

If you were going to open a restaurant that served only cookout or Fourth of July foods, what would be your signature dish?

## Discussion Time

**Read**

Read Acts 12:1-5 and 19b-24 together.

**Discuss**

Use the following questions to learn more about the passage as a group.

1. What was the most encouraging part of these passages for you?
2. What was surprising or challenging?
3. Is there anything you would like to know more about?
4. What points stood out to you from this week's sermon?
5. Were there any questions you left with after the sermon?
6. In this week's sermon, we talked about how God is moving and nothing can stop him. How does this encourage you?
7. Think about what James lived for and what Herod lived for. Herod lived cleverly, trying to please as many people as he could to advance his own career. James left his career to follow Jesus. James spent his life telling people about Jesus. Once he became a disciple of Jesus, his life's mission was to further the movement by inviting people to it, living like Jesus lived, and loving like Jesus loved. What do you live for? Are you part of the movement, or are you just trying to move up the career ladder? Is Jesus central to what you do every day, or an occasional afterthought on some weekends?
8. What do you most need to remember from this study this week, and how will you apply it?

**Discuss**

Close by sharing prayer requests and praying for each other.