

RHODA: MORE THAN A SITCOM

Use the following Growth Group discussion questions to deepen your relationship with God, his Word and others.

Growth Group Leaders: It is not necessary to use all the questions. Select or ask questions you like or that best fit your Growth Group.

BREAK IT OUT:

1. Who was the most surprising person to ever show up at your door?
2. What is the most astonishing thing you have ever seen God do?

TALK IT OUT:

3. How are we like the people at the prayer meeting in this story (Acts 12:12)?
4. How do we respond to the unexpected and unplanned situations in our lives? Why?
5. What must we believe or do in order to respond to persecution calmly and with peace as Peter did in this story (Acts 12:6)?
6. How can we develop a prayer life that is expectant and believing versus ritualistic and sterile?

WORK IT OUT:

7. What God-sized prayer are you expecting God to answer? Are you looking and listening for answers to what you are praying for?
8. How can your growth group pray for you?

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Today's story is of Rhoda who is mentioned only once in the New Testament. She was a lowly servant girl who played a key role in welcoming St. Peter and releasing him from jail. Rhoda's story shows us the unlimited power of prayer, even if we do not fully believe it! Like Rhoda, we can trust God for great things and for enormous divine intervention. As we unpack the context of this singular Rhoda appearance, let's claim great things from God through prayer.

1. **Peter was facing his greatest challenge** - (Acts 12:1-6). What impossible situation are you facing? With what mood?
2. **The church prayed, and Peter was released** - (Acts 12:6-12). Very often God answers prayers in the most unexpected ways.
3. **Rhoda believed in prayer** - (Acts 12:9, 11, 15). When we pray to God, expect God to answer.

APPLICATION

What are your God-sized prayers?

NEXT WEEK • YOUTH SUNDAY
THE WAY GOD WORKS • 2 KINGS 4:1-7