



## Sermon Title: Unhindered!

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**Scripture:** And he (Paul) stayed two full years in his own rented quarters and was welcoming all who came to him, preaching the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, *unhindered*. [Acts 28:30-31 NASB]

1. “Unhindered” means “not restrained or held back.”
2. When we refuse God on His terms our hearts become terminally hindered.
3. Refusing God doesn’t change reality; it changes those who refuse God.
4. When people dictate terms to God they lose all spiritual discernment.
5. Many don’t desire to see God as He truly is, because when we see God as He truly is we see ourselves as we truly are.
6. Human hindrances can’t hinder God’s people in mission!
7. Paul’s arrest couldn’t arrest God’s mission, because the world’s defiance can’t defy the power of God.
8. God doesn’t need favorable circumstances to do His work; just faithful servants.
9. God doesn’t prefer small results. He simply isn’t hindered by small beginnings.
10. The only chains that can hinder us are the chains we forge ourselves.

**Growth Group Questions**  
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**KICK-OFF**

1. Briefly share your plans for the Thanksgiving holiday next week.
2. Can you think of one big “takeaway” from our year-long study of the book of Acts that resonates with you?



**THE GAME PLAN**

1. What points from today’s sermon challenged you, impacted you, or caught your attention and why?
2. Read Point #10. Are you aware of any chains hindering you currently that you have forged for yourself? If so, what are they and what must you do to get free? Do you need help?
3. Read Titus 2:7 and 1 Thessalonians 5:19. In what ways can our “*lifestyle*” become a forged chain that hinders us from intimacy with God and doing His work effectively?

**OVERTIME**

1. Read John 6:63. How do you see this verse play itself out in the life of Paul as he carried the kingdom gospel to other nations? What lessons can you identify that might be applicable to our own lives?
2. Spend some quiet time alone with God asking him to reveal any self-forged chains that are hindering your walk with Him and your kingdom effectiveness. Then ask Him what steps you must take to be free from that bondage.

