

Paul and Silas in Philippi

Acts 16:14-25

- 1 – 1st introduction of Timothy
- Travels: Derbe > Lystra > Phrygia > Galatia > Mysia > Troas > Macedonia > Philippi
- The great “Macedonian Call” brought Paul & co. to Philippi
- Roughly 49 AD

1. Lydia – Acts 16:14-15

- Seller of purple = rich occupation
- Thyatira – later a letter in Revelation
- Worshipped God
- Heard the Word
- Attended to / believed what was said
- Baptized for remission of sins
- Welcomed Paul & Co. to stay with her

2. Demon Cast Out – Acts 16:16-24

- 16 – “we” – Paul, Silas, Timothy, Luke
- Demon possessed girl = source of revenue
- 17 – demons always identify Christ
- 18 – continual thing; Paul cast demon out
- 19 – masters upset; revenue source gone
- 20 – takes to the local officials
- 21 – accused of teaching contrary things
- 22 – rent their clothes, wanted to beat them
- 23 – beaten [39 save 1, 2 Cor. 9:24ff], prison
- 24 – placed in the inner prison, feet in stocks

3. Jailer – Acts 16:25-35

- 25 – midnight – Paul & Silas singing praises
- 26 – God caused a great earthquake

- 27 – keeper of the prison ready to kill himself
- 28 – Paul cried out – “we are all here!”
- 29 – he came trembling before Paul
- 30 – “What must I do to be saved?”
- 31 – believe [synecdoche] = salvation
- 32 – taught him the Word of the Lord
- 33 – same hour [immediately], washed their stripes [repentance], baptized
- *Simple belief alone not enough or v. 33 would not have happened*
- 34 – he (and family) are rejoicing [*Happy Day*]
- 35 – let these men go

Lessons:

1. If you have not believed, repented, confessed, and been baptized, you have not been saved.
2. It always benefits us to properly identify Christ.
3. Don't jump to conclusion (poor exercise).
4. Once we have been baptized, we should rejoice!

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