**COME OVER TO MACEDONIA AND HELP US**

Acts 15:36-16:40 (Key verse: 16:9)

*“During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, Come over to Macedonia and help us.”*

1. Why did Paul and Barnabas separate (36-39)? Where did each go (39)? Who went with Paul (40-41)? Look at verses 16:1-5, who was Timothy? (2Ti 1:2-5[[1]](#footnote-2), Php 2:19-22[[2]](#footnote-3)) Why did Paul circumcise him? How did Paul’s company encourage the churches? What was the result of their visiting?

2. Looking at verses 6-10 and trace their journey, where did they try to go? Why did they not? What happened in Troas? Who joined their journey team? What can we learn here about God’s plans for world mission?

3. How did they reach Philippi (11-12)? What kind of city was Philippi (12)? How did they meet their first convert (13-15)? Who was she and how did she become a believer? How did she reveal her changed life?

4. Why and how did Paul help a demon-possessed slave girl (16-18)? What happened as a result (19-24)? What can we learn about the nature and source of persecution?

5. How could Paul and Silas respond to persecution in the way they did (25)? What supernatural event occurred, and what does it teach us about God (26)? How did this open the door for the jailer and his household to accept the gospel (27-34)?

6. How did Paul use his Roman citizenship to protect the new church at Philippi (35-40)? How did they encourage the church in Lydia’s house (40)?

1. 2 Timothy 1:3-5, I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. 4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. 5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Philippians 2:19-22, I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. 20 I have no one else like him, who will show genuine concern for your welfare. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)