

# GRACE, A Beautiful Attraction

## Acts 16

The Book of Acts isn't a story; it is a journey! Paul is one of the heroes of the book, but it isn't about Paul's journeys. It isn't about a human journey at all. It is the journey of the Gospel through the church! Pentecost birthed the Church and unleashed the Gospel on the earth in Jerusalem. In the short story of this book, the Gospel journeyed from Jerusalem through Asia and all the way to Rome. The bigger journey is for the Gospel to go through Snellville, GA, to all the nations. Acts 16 is a short version of the bigger story. Every element of the bigger story can be seen in miniature in this chapter.

### The Big Truth From Acts 16

The Gospel moves \_\_\_\_\_ people \_\_\_\_\_ people.

### Two Big Questions From Acts 16

3. Has the Gospel moved to \_\_\_\_\_ yet?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the Gospel moving to through you?

### THE ACTS 16 JOURNEY

H. Growth of the Gospel – v. 1-5

The Gospel was on the MOVE.

I. Unopened Doors – v. 6-7

CLOSED doors = Gospel Advance

J. Opened Door – v. 8-10

OPEN doors = Gospel Advance

K. Open Heart – v. 11-15

Lydia SAVED = Gospel Advance

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L. Demon Possessed Girl – v. 16-21

Paul in JAIL = Gospel Advance

M. Jailer's Breakthrough – v. 22-30

Paul set FREE = Gospel Advance

N. Politicians Cave In – v. 31-40

Paul in CHARGE = Gospel Advance

### SUMMARY OF ACTS 16 - The Story of Acts 16 Continues

- Paul was not the HERO of Acts 16.
- The Hero of Paul's journey IS the GOSPEL!
- The Gospel Journey did not stop in ROME!
- The Gospel does not have any intention of stopping with YOU either!

**Where are you?** The beauty of this story is that through faith and repentance in the finished work of Christ, He comes alive **IN YOU**? When He does, He changes you from a Beautiful Mess to a Beautiful **ATTRACTION** to HIM for the whole world or the world closest to you. The Gospel is still on the move, and we get to be a part of the **MOVEMENT**!