

## Acts 16:19-40

### Sermon Notes

#### Wounded for Christ

Acts 16:22–23 (ESV) The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. <sup>23</sup> And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely.

Acts 9:15–16 (ESV) But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup> For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.”

Acts 16:24 (ESV) Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

Philippians 1:3–5 (ESV) I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup> always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

#### Singing in the Pain

Acts 16:25 (ESV) About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them,

Psalms 34:1–2 (ESV) I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Matthew 26:29–30 (ESV) I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

#### The Call

Acts 16:30 (ESV) Then he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

An urgent command- “What must”

A personal issue- “I do”

A desperate need – “to be saved”

## **Believing Gives Life**

Acts 16:31–32 (ESV) And they said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”<sup>32</sup> And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.

John 6:28–29 (ESV) Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?”<sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.”

John 3:35–36 (ESV) The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand.<sup>36</sup> Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

## **A Sanctified House**

Acts 16:33–34 (ESV) And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family.<sup>34</sup> Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

Luke 19:8–9 (ESV) And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold.”<sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham.

1 Corinthians 7:14 (ESV) For the unbelieving husband is made holy because of his wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy because of her husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy.

## **Let There Be Joy**

Acts 16:17 (ESV) She followed Paul and us, crying out, “These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation.”

Philippians 4:4–7 (ESV) Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.<sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand;<sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.<sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.