

Acts 15:36-Acts 16

1. Paul and Barnabas had such a sharp disagreement between them over John Mark that Paul went with Silas in one direction, and Barnabas went with John Mark in another in visiting the churches they had started on their first missionary journey. Who do you think was right, and why? (15:36-41) What can we learn from this in how we deal with people who have failed spiritually?
2. In spite of the recent decision by the Christian leaders at Jerusalem that circumcision was not necessary in order to become a Christian, Paul circumcises Timothy. Why? (16:1-3)
3. What was the result of Paul's and Silas' visits to the churches in Syria, Cilicia and Galatia? (16:4-5)
4. As Paul and Silas continued their travels, they were led by the Holy Spirit where to go. How did this take place? (16:6-12) Have these things ever happened to you?

5. What important lesson do we learn from Lydia's conversion for our own witnessing efforts? (16:13-15)

6. Paul and Silas are falsely accused, and then unlawfully are severely flogged and thrown into prison. There they are praying and singing hymns to God. (16:16-25) What do you think you would have done? Why?

7. Paul and Silas have an opportunity to escape from prison, but do not take it. What results from this? (16:26-34) Would you have taken the opportunity to escape?

8. Why did Paul and Silas make the Roman authorities admit their wrong treatment of them? (16:35-40)