

## **Paul and Silas in Prison**

### **Acts 16:16-40**

Paul was on his second missionary journey, and was at Philippi (Acts 16:11-15). One day Paul and Silas met a possessed slave girl who could predict the future and delivered her from the evil spirit. Unfortunately for Paul and Silas the slave girl was a money maker when possessed; and the owners were ticked off and went after them once their meal ticket ended. But what man intends for evil God can use for good as we see in this story.

#### **Key Characters in the Story:**

Paul

Silas

Slave Girl

Jailer

Jailer's household

God (always the key character in every story!)

#### **The Story (Acts 16:16-40)**

#### **Key Lessons from the Story:**

- 1) We can do great things in Jesus name
- 2) We can suffer for doing the right things
- 3) We can pray, sing and worship no matter what our circumstances
- 4) People observe our heart-felt devotion to God
- 5) Nothing is impossible for God
- 6) God can help us in our time of need
- 7) Salvation comes by faith (belief) in Jesus
- 8) When one person in a family comes to faith in Jesus, the rest of the family may follow
- 9) Christians should be baptized
- 10) Being saved brings joy!
- 11) Seeing others saved brings joy
- 12) There is a time and place for standing up for our rights as citizens
- 13) Other?