

## Transformation Card

*This page provides an overview of the message and resources for individual and group study.*

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### **Sermon Audio**

Full Msg. Title: **The Church Strengthened & Expanded, Part 5**

Short Ver. Title: **Kingdom Progress**

Series Title\*: Acts

Text: Acts 16:25-40

Key Words: Paul, Silas, jailer, prison, praying, singing, earthquake, believe, saved, baptism, encouraged

### ***Message Outline***

**Paul's Second Missionary Journey, Part 5**

**Kingdom Progress: The Church Strengthened & Expanded**

**Lessons from Paul's Time in a Philippian Jail**

**Acts 16:25-40**

- I. The Story in **OVERVIEW**
- II. **FOCUS** on Paul and Silas with the Jailer
- III. Focus on Paul and Silas with the **MAGISTRATES**
- IV. Focus on Paul and Silas with the **BRETHREN**

### ***God's Word for Devotions***

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| 1. Acts 9  | 3. Acts 17 |
| 2. Acts 16 | 4. Acts 18 |

### ***Talk About It with Your Friends and Family***

1. Read Acts 16:16-40 out-loud slowly and deliberately without stopping taking in the details and the overall story.
2. What did Paul and Silas choose to do with their time while imprisoned and what does this say about who they were?
3. What did God choose to do with Paul and Silas and what does this say about who He is?
4. What did the jailer choose to do before the quake and what does this say about who he was?
5. What did Paul and Silas choose to do with their freedom?
6. What emotions must have overcome the jailer that would have caused him to prepare to kill himself?
7. What did Paul and Silas instill in him (4 letter word beginning in "H") in verse 28?
8. What do the jailer's posture, actions and question indicate about his disposition in verses 29-30?
9. What must one do to be saved?
10. What does verse 32 add to the story?
11. What do the actions of the jailer in 33-34 indicate about him now?
12. Why did Paul not just end his imprisonment as quickly as possible when given the chance?
13. What do Silas and Paul's actions in verse 40 indicate about their overall mission?
14. Take some time quietly listen to the Lord in prayer. What would the Holy Spirit want you to know about your life situation and how He would have you live in light of the reality of what God has done and is doing in Christ?

### ***Memory and Meditation Verse***

"Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved..."

Acts 16:31a (NASB)

***Next Week:*** Read again Acts 17:1-9