

THE MACEDONIAN CALL
(Second Missionary Journey)

Acts 16:1-40

Key Verse: 16:9

* Timothy and Luke (1-10)

1. Who was Paul's coworker on this journey? (15:40) Where did Paul meet Timothy? What do these verses tell about him? Why did Paul circumcise him? What was the main message from Jerusalem that Paul and Silas delivered? With what result?
2. Why did Paul not spend time in Asia Minor this time? Why not go north through Mysia to Bithynia? Where did they go? (Find these places on the map.) What happened in Troas? Where is Macedonia? When did Luke join the team?

* Philippi (11-40)

3. Read verses 11-15. Trace Paul's route to Philippi. What kind of city was Philippi? Read verses 16-24. What did Paul do on the Sabbath? Why? Who did he meet? How is Lydia described? How was she converted and what did she do? What can we learn here about the beginnings of pioneering in Europe?
4. Read verses 25-30. What happened once as Paul was on his way to the place of prayer? Why did this slave girl trouble Paul? What did he do? Why did this anger her owners? What does this show about the culture in that Gentile city?
5. What did the owners of the slave girl do? What was their accusation? How did the crowd react and what did the city magistrates do to Paul and Silas? Think about their situation as strangers in a foreign city in prison.
6. Read verses 31-40. Think about the situation of Paul and Silas? What did they do? Why? What happened? Why did the jailor attempt suicide? How did Paul help him? What can we learn from Paul's courage?
7. Read verses 41-44. How did the jailor and his family become believers? What did they do? What can we learn here?
8. Read verses 45-49. How did Paul use his Roman citizenship? To what effect? When they were requested to leave the city what did they do?