



# Logos Class – Acts of the Apostles

On Campus class for Oct 24, 2021

*Acts Ch 17 – Pauls 2<sup>nd</sup> journey starts*

# Acts Basic Outline

Six sections, each ending with a summary

- ✓ **Chapters 1-6:7** – Church in Jerusalem and Peter's preaching. Church growing and large number of Priests were coming to the Lord
- ✓ **Chapters 6:8-9:31** – Church spreading and growing in all Roman Palestine, and the martyrdom of Stephen. Churches multiplying in Galilee
- ✓ **Ch 9:32-12:24** – Conversion of Saul to Paul, the extension of the church into Antioch and Peter's reception of Cornelius the Gentile into the church
- ✓ **Ch 12:25-16:5** – The church is spreading in Asia Minor (Turkey) and the spreading of the Gospel in Galatia. The First Church Council
- ✓ **Ch 16:6-19:20** – The church crossed the Med and spreads to Europe. Paul is starting churches in Ephesus, Philippi, and Corinth
- **Ch 19:21-28:31** – Arrival of Paul in Rome and his imprisonment. Paul boldly proclaims Jesus Christ, and tells of the Kingdom

## Acts 15:36-39a     *An earlier problem returns*

***<sup>36</sup> Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, “Let us go back and visit the believers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing.”***

***<sup>37</sup> Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them,***

***<sup>38</sup> but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work.***

***<sup>39</sup> They had such a **sharp** disagreement that they **parted company**.***

# Acts 15:39b-41 Splitting up a team

*Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus,  
<sup>40</sup> but **Paul chose Silas** and left, commended by the believers to  
the grace of the Lord.  
<sup>41</sup> **He went through Syria and Cilicia**, strengthening the  
churches.*

*They did return to previous churches, but separately. The book  
of Acts follows Paul and Silas*



# Pauls 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary Journey





# Acts 16:1-5 Paul and Silas joined by Timothy

***16 Paul came to Derbe and then to Lystra, where a disciple named Timothy lived, whose mother was Jewish and a believer but whose father was a Greek...(and not a believer)***

***2 The believers at Lystra and Iconium spoke well of him.***

***3 Paul wanted to take him along on the journey, so he circumcised him because of the Jews who lived in that area, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.***

***4 As they traveled from town to town, they delivered the decisions reached by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem for the people to obey.***

***5 So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.***

# Acts 16:6-10 The Man from Macedonia

*<sup>6</sup> Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, **having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia.***

*<sup>7</sup> When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, **but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to.***

*<sup>8</sup> So they passed by Mysia and **went down to Troas.***

*<sup>9</sup> During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, **“Come over to Macedonia and help us.”***

*<sup>10</sup> After Paul had seen the vision, **we** got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called **us** to preach the gospel to them.*



# The Journey to Europe





# Acts 16:11-15 *Lydia...the first European Convert*

*<sup>11</sup> From Troas we put out to sea and sailed **straight for Samothrace**, and the next day we went on to **Neapolis**.*

*<sup>12</sup> From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.*

*<sup>13</sup> On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there.*

*<sup>14</sup> One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message.*

*<sup>15</sup> When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. **"If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house."** And she persuaded us.*

## Acts 16:16-18    *Paul and Silas get in trouble*

*<sup>16</sup> Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling.*

*<sup>17</sup> She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, “**These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you **the (a)** way to be saved.**”*

*<sup>18</sup> She kept this up for many days. Finally, Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, “**In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!**” **At that moment the spirit left her.***

## Acts 16:19-24. *Paul and Silas in Jail*

*<sup>19</sup> When her owners realized that their **hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities.***

*<sup>20</sup> They brought them before the magistrates and said, “**These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar***

*<sup>21</sup> **by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice.”***

*<sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to **be stripped and beaten with rods.***

*<sup>23</sup> After they had been **severely flogged**, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to **guard them carefully.***

*<sup>24</sup> When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the **stocks.***



## Acts 16:25-28. *Just another miracle*

*<sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were **praying and singing hymns to God**, and the **other prisoners were listening to them**.*

*<sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.*

*<sup>27</sup> The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped.*

*<sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted, “**Don't harm yourself! We are all here!**”*

## Acts 16:29-34 *A Jailer and his household saved*

***<sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas.***

***<sup>30</sup> He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”***

***<sup>31</sup> They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.”***

***<sup>32</sup> Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house.***

***<sup>33</sup> At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized.***

***<sup>34</sup> The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household***

## Jail cell in Philippi where Paul and Silas were

- Vicki took this in 2017
- They call it Filippoi
- Very small pieces left but ruins larger





# Acts 16:35-40. *Paul takes charge*

- <sup>35</sup> When it was daylight, the magistrates sent their officers to the jailer with the order: ***“Release those men.”***
- <sup>36</sup> The jailer told Paul, ***“The magistrates have ordered that you and Silas be released. Now you can leave. Go in peace.”***
- <sup>37</sup> But Paul said to the officers: ***“They beat us publicly without a trial, even though we are Roman citizens, and threw us into prison. And now do they want to get rid of us quietly? No! Let them come themselves and escort us out.”***
- <sup>38</sup> The officers reported this to the magistrates, and when they heard that Paul and Silas were Roman citizens, ***they were alarmed.***
- <sup>39</sup> They came to appease them and escorted them from the prison, requesting them to leave the city.
- <sup>40</sup> After Paul and Silas came out of the prison, ***they went to Lydia’s house, where they met with the brothers and sisters and encouraged them. Then they left***

# Next week

- Read Chapter 17 of Acts where Paul and his companions go to Thessalonica
- Pray for the Pastor as he starts another great sermon series
- Pray for our Country, State, County, City leaders
- Pray for those who are ailing with serious conditions, Covid, and ongoing health issues
- Praise Him for answered prayer, and
- Pray for our needs as a class and keep in touch with those who have not been in a while.