

Acts 16
2nd Journey
Part #1

Review

1. Authorship ?
2. Date of Writing ?
3. Chosen Apostle ? (1:26)
4. Four points of Peter's Sermon in Acts 2?
5. Three things the church did in (Acts 13:3) in sending Barnabas & Saul on the 1st Missionary journey?
6. Name of Proconsul on Cyprus (Acts 13:7).
7. Cities of First Missionary Journey (chap 13-14)
8. First Doctrinal Problem in the church (15:1)
9. What other book takes notice of this 'Council' ?
10. Three speakers at this 'Council' ?
11. Four things the gentiles were to abstain from? v.29

CHRONOLOGY OF APOSTLE PAUL

- Paul's 1st Journey 47-48 A.D.
- Jerusalem Council 48-50 A.D.
- Paul's 2nd Journey begins 51 A.D.
- Paul's 3rd Journey 52-53 A.D.
- Paul to Ephesus 53 A.D.
- Paul to Greece 56 A.D.
- Paul arrested in Jerusalem 58 A.D.
- Paul imprisoned 58-60 A.D.
- Paul's Voyage to Rome 60-61 A.D.
- Paul in Rome 61-63 A.D.
- Paul released 63 A.D.
- Paul travels 63-65 A.D.
- Paul martyred

2nd Journey Begins



15:40 But Paul chose Silas... a prophet 15:32

15:41 Traveling through Syria and Cilicia...

*An important province of SE Asia, between the Taurus Mtns. & the Mediterranean Sea—which isolates it from its neighbors. The Encircling mtns have 2 famous passes: **the Syrian & Cilician Gates.***

2nd Journey Begins

15:41 Traveling through *Cilicia*...

Ancient Cilicia – (*Modern Cukorova*), near Adana



The great fertile region is heavily cultivated with fields, gardens and orchards. The intense summer heat makes it essential for farmers with sheep, cattle and goats to move their herds to other higher elevations for cool temperatures and fresh grazing.

2nd Journey Begins



Cilician Gates -- Looking south

Old Mountain Pass that Paul Traveled

This pass is 28 mi North of Tarsus via the old road

Here's the Pass on the New Road



The New Road is higher up than the Old Road

2nd Journey Begins



16:1 And they came to *Derbe and Lystra*

Established Churches Visited (Acts 16 : 1-5)

Paul & Barnabas made this point the terminus of Their FIRST JOURNEY

v.1 And they came to Derbe

Many disciples were made here last time. (Acts 14:20-21)

Why didn't Paul & Barnabas take this *short route* home thru the Cilician Gates on the first Journey? →

(Acts 14:23)



Derbe from the East

Tiny village of Derbe is 30 mi south of Lystra.

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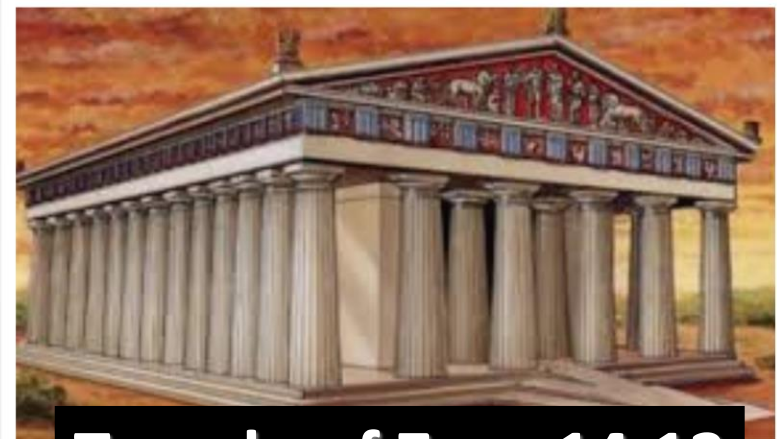
16:1 And they came to ... Lystra



Lystra looking south



- Lame man healed 14:10
- Paul honored here 14:13
- Paul stoned here 14:19
- Many disciples here 14:20



Temple of Zeus 14:13

Established Churches Visited (Acts 16 : 1-5)

16:1 A certain disciple was there named *Timothy*, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer

Mom & grandmom were both believers
(2 Tim 1:5; 3:14-15)

Paul converted Timothy on 1st journey.
(1 Tim 1:2) My true child in the faith..
(2 Tim 1:2) Timothy my beloved son..
Begotten thru the gospel (1 Cor 4:15)

16:2 *Well spoken of* by the brethren in Lystra & Iconium Iconium was *20 miles* away

Young men—get a reputation for *service & morals*

Established Churches Visited (Acts 16 : 1-5)

16:3 Paul wanted this man to go with him and took him and circumcised him... for they all knew his father was a Greek.

Paul *didn't* circumcise his Greek convert Titus if it was for DOCTRINE (Gal 2:3, 5:2-4; Ti. 1:4)
Circumcision would suggest all gentiles had to.

Paul *did* circumcise the 1/2 Greek Timothy if it was just JUDGMENT (1 Cor 9:20-22)
Being 1/2 Jewish, circumcision was cultural.

Determine is a thing Doctrine or Judgment?

Established Churches Visited (Acts 16 : 1-5)

16:4 They were Passing through the cities...

Timothy had a spiritual gift bestowed on him following prophecy, perhaps in Lystra...

Elders showed their approval of him (1 Tim 4:14)

Paul gave a Timothy a Spiritual gift (2 Tim 1:6)



16:4 As they were passing through the cities they were delivering the decrees. Which ones?

Holy Spirit's (Acts 15:28) Showing circumcision is NOT essential !

The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)

Acts 16:6 They passed through the *Phrygian and Galatian* region

Greece

Turkey

Phrygia

Galatia

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DERBE

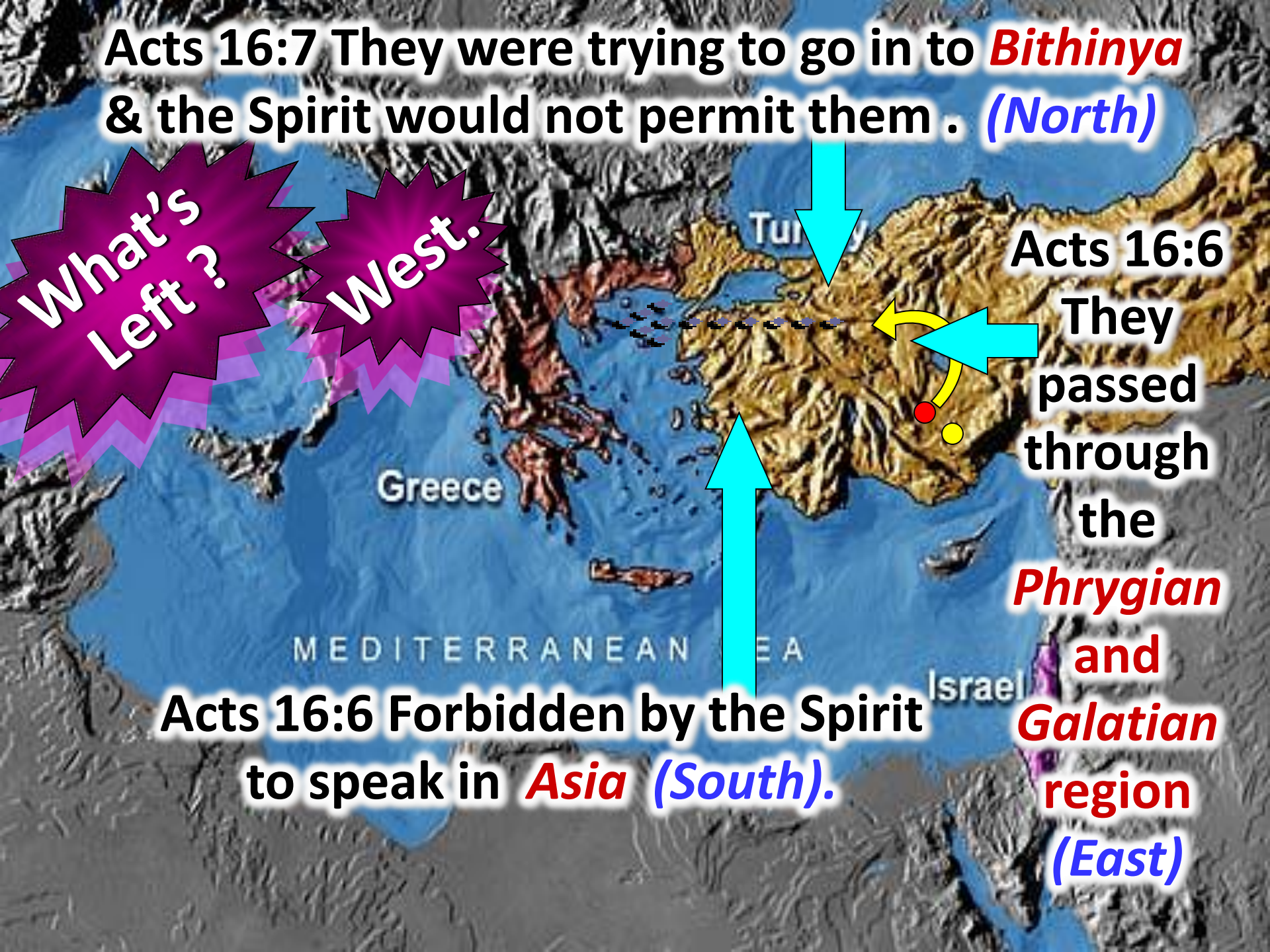
(Gal 4:13-15) Paul got sick here. *“Because of a bodily I preached the gospel to you the first time; & that which was a trial to you in my bodily condition you did not despise or loathe, but received me as an angel of God, as Jesus Christ himself...”*

Acts 16:7 They were trying to go in to *Bithynia* & the Spirit would not permit them. (*North*)

What's Left?
West.

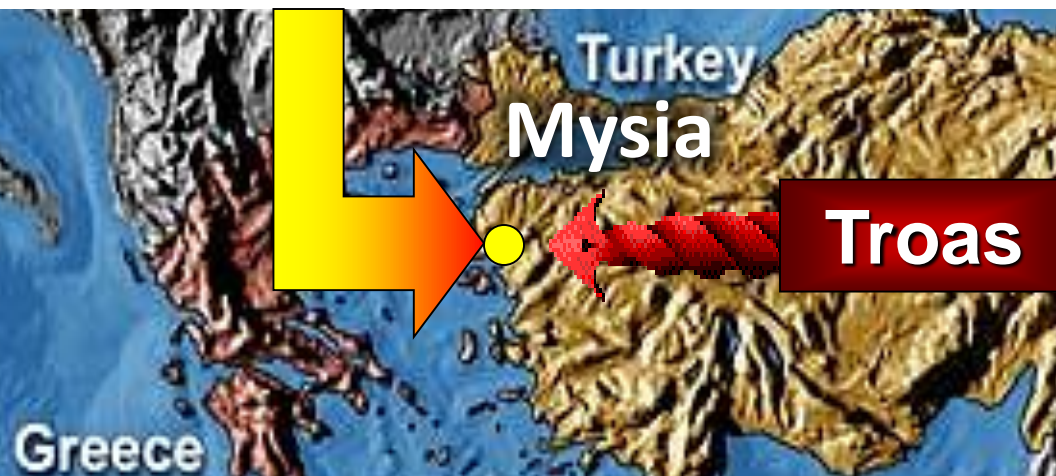
Acts 16:6 They passed through the *Phrygian* and *Galatian* region (*East*)

Acts 16:6 Forbidden by the Spirit to speak in *Asia* (*South*).



The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)

16:8 And passing by Mysia they came to Troas



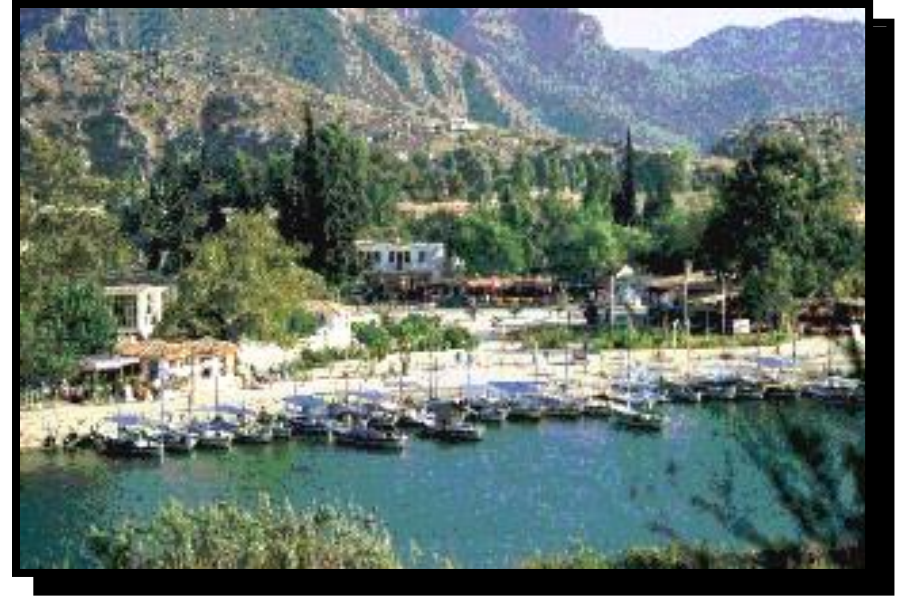
The greater part of Mysia was unproductive mountains and marshes; but had (1) fine wheat, for (2) quarries and for its (3) oyster beds. The Romans, formed it into a province. Paul passed through this province on his way to the Sea Port City of **Troas**.

The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)



Beach of Troas (*Modern Dalyan*)

The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)



It was one of the major sea ports in the Aegean connecting trade routes in Asia Minor to Neapolis in Macedonia by sea lines and then to Rome by road. The city was founded in 310 BC and its original *name* was *Antigonia Troas*

The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)

16:9 A vision appeared to Paul in the night:
A *certain Macedonian*...was saying “Come over
to Macedonia and help us”

16:10 And immediately
“We” sought to go into
Macedonia...

Who just got picked up
and where?

Make a note of everywhere he
is picked up and dropped off.



A satellite-style map of the Eastern Mediterranean region. Three yellow circles mark the locations of Troas, Samothrace, and Neapolis. A red-to-yellow gradient arrow points from Troas to Samothrace, and another from Samothrace to Neapolis. A third, larger red-to-yellow gradient arrow points from Neapolis north towards the Greek mainland. The text 'Greece' is on the left, 'MEDITERRANEAN SEA' is at the bottom, and 'Israel' is on the right.

Acts 16:11 Putting
out to sea from

Troas

We ran a straight course to
Samothrace

And on the day following to
Neapolis

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Agean Island –about 71 sq mi.
The main town is Samothrace,
“Height of Thrace” is located
on the NW shore.



A largely mountainous island. Mt. Fengari rising to 5,600 ft creates a visible landmark for navigation.

The island lacks a good natural harbor, but ships often anchored offshore. It was a sanctuary of a Greek fertility cult with deities known as Cabiri whose help was sought during initiation rituals.

The Macedonian Call (Acts 16 : 6-10)

Acts 16:11 Neapolis

Sea Port of Philippi

Neapolis,
(modern
Kavala or KEY .
Modern pop.
about 54,000),
NE Greece, in
Macedonia.
Situated on a
neck of land
between
two harbors.



Leading exports: Tobacco,
fish and flour.



Philippi

Greece

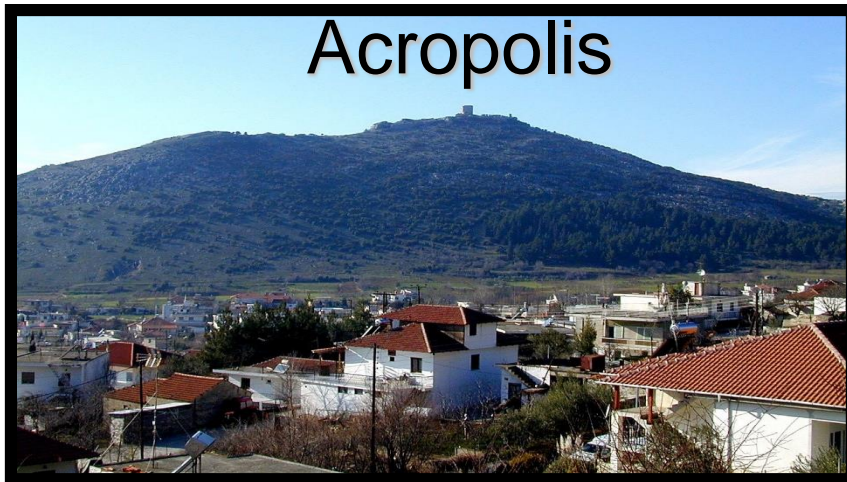
MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Israel

16:12 From there [Neapolis] to Philippi

The Baptism of Lydia (Acts 16 : 11-15)

16:12 Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia, a Roman colony.

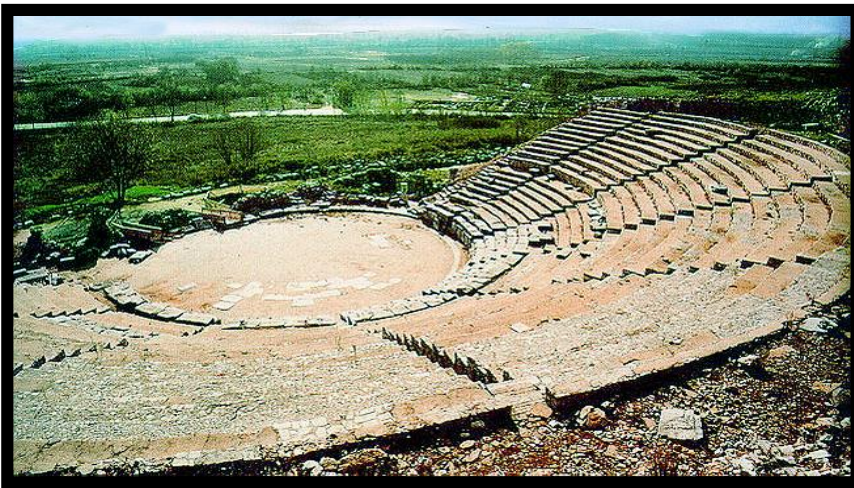


Philippi was essentially a military colony, composed mostly of Roman citizens transplanted here to protect & defend the interests of the mother city. They were tied to Rome by the rights of citizenship, cherished above all else.

The Baptism of Lydia (Acts 16 : 11-15)

16:12 Philippi ... a leading city ..

Features of the Roman Colony: *Philippi*



Theater for public culture



Restrooms for comfort

These were features all over the Roman Empire

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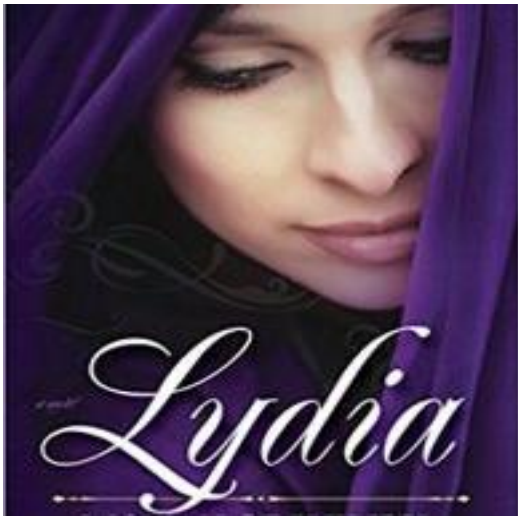


Egnatian way. The main artery from *Rome* thru Philippi to the East



Traditional Prison of the apostle Paul in Philippi.
(Acts 16:23)

The Baptism of Lydia (Acts 16 : 11-15)



16:14 A certain woman named Lydia,
... a worshipper of God was
listening & the *Lord opened*
her heart to respond to the
things spoken by Paul

God works through His word

Mat 13:15 People closed their eyes

John 12:40 God closed people's eyes

Isa 6:9-10 Closed thru preaching the Word

The Baptism of Lydia (Acts 16 : 11-15)

16:15 She and her household were baptized

The Philippi River

How would you argue against infant baptism using ..

Acts 2:38 Repent
Mk 16:15-16 Believes



- She had a house in that city (v. 15)
- She had a trade in costly purple garments (v. 14)
- But she closed shop & worshipped on Sabbath (v.13)