



Acts 16:27-31 (NIV) <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!" <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."

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ People Need Forgiveness.**

*One of those listening was a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. (Acts 16:14)*

*For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23)*

*...she and the members of her household were baptized... (Acts 16:15)*

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ People Need Forgiveness.**

*Finally Paul became so troubled 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 16:18)*

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ People Need Forgiveness.**

*About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. (Acts 16:25)*

*"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30)*

*"Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved..." (Acts 16:31)*

Prayer for Forgiveness: "God, I need forgiveness for my sins. I confess my sins and forsake them. I believe that Jesus died to pay for my sin. I now receive your offer of forgiveness and eternal life. I ask you to be my Lord and Master. In faith I give you control of my life. Thank you for saving my soul and forgiving my sin. In Jesus' name, amen."

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**Want to Go Deeper?**

- Memorize Acts 16:31.
- What sins do you have trouble believing that God will forgive?
- Why do we sometimes feel guilty even after receiving God's forgiveness?
- If you are ready to accept God's invitation to a new life, let us know and we will help you with next steps.
- Read *How Good is Good Enough* by Andy Stanley.

Please let us know the commitments you are making to God by using the Communication Card. We will pray for you.