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Acts 16:11-15

¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹² From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ 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.

2 Timothy 4:11

¹¹ Only Luke is with me.

To fully realize our destiny on this earth we must commit and submit.

"The world has yet to see what God will do with a man fully consecrated to Him."

— DL Moody

Acts 20:6

⁶ But we sailed from Philippi after the Festival of Unleavened Bread, and five days later joined the others at Troas, where we stayed seven days.

The favor of God will take you places you wouldn't go without it.

There is never regret or second guessing when we are led by the Spirit.

Philippians 1:1-8

¹ Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all God's holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons:

⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. ⁸ God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

² Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

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There is a difference between hearing and listening.

James 1:22-25

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

Listening implies hearing with intent.

1 Timothy 6:10

¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

It is the love of money that leads to sin, not necessarily money itself.

Are you attentive to the Lord?

Isaiah 29:13

¹³ The Lord says:

"These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Their worship of me

is based on merely human rules they have been taught. [a]

Footnote:

a. <u>Isaiah 29:13</u> Hebrew; Septuagint They worship me in vain; / their teachings are merely human rules

John 4:23

²³ Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.

Lydia's attentiveness to God positioned her for a move of the Holy Spirit.

John 6:44

44 "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them

God can open anyone's heart!



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