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## Acts 16:11-24

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

## Acts 16:11-24

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. 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.

## Acts 16:11-24

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 16:11-24

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. She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, “These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.”

## **Acts 16:11-24**

**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.**

**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.**

## Acts 16:11-24

**They brought them before the magistrates and said, “These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice.”**



## Acts 16:11-24

**The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully.**

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**Paul tries to IGNORE the problem.**

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**Paul gets ANNOYED with the problem.**

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**Paul gets angry and **FACES** the problem.**

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**Paul ATTACKS THE SPIRITUAL ROOT of the  
problem, not the person.**

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WHEN SUDDENLY...



**AARGH!**

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**Holy Discontent**

**“For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places” (Ephesians 6:12).**



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**Paul faces opposition**

**Slavery still  
exists!**



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## Forces at work behind slavery ...

- **Spiritual**
- **Financial**
- **Cultural**

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**“The kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men take it by force” (Matthew 11:12, NASB).**

**The Kingdom of God**

**=**

**What things look like when God is in charge.**

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**Jesus changes lives.**

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**Changed lives lead to transformed cultures.**

# We Right The Wrongs

**Be Aware (Hear It)**

**Be Annoyed (Feel it)**

**Be Angry (See It)**

**But Most Importantly ...**

**Be Active (Do Something About It!)**



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# Video story here

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**2ND ANNUAL BILL BAUER MEMORIAL**  
**"Bike-a-Walk-a-thon!"**  
*fun for the whole family!!!* \*Bicycle Bill Bauer

| Event         |
|---------------|
| 1.4k walk/run |
| 5k walk/run   |
| 5 mi ride     |
| 25 mi ride    |
| 50 mi ride    |

*Bayville*

**Saturday October 7th, 2017**  
Register at:  
[cycling4change.org](http://cycling4change.org)  
*"Cycling to break the cycle of human trafficking."*

The poster features a silhouette of a cyclist in the foreground, with other silhouettes of people walking and running in the background. There are also small photos of people on bicycles and a map of the Bayville area.

The World Vision logo consists of a white heart shape on a blue background, with the words "World Vision" in a bold, black, sans-serif font to its right. The background of the entire block is a white and orange curved shape with a white starburst graphic.

The logo for Compassion in Jesus' name features a blue silhouette of a person with arms raised in a gesture of praise or joy. Below the silhouette, the text "Releasing children from poverty" is written in a small, blue, sans-serif font. The word "Compassion" is written in a large, black, serif font, and "in Jesus' name" is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font below it.

**NOMII**  
*network*

The RESTORE logo features the word "RESTORE" in a large, red, sans-serif font with a red leaf-like graphic above the letter 'O'. Below the word, the tagline "Rebuilding the Life Intended" is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. The background of the logo is a photograph of a city skyline across a body of water, with a bridge in the foreground and a person's silhouette in the bottom center.

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