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Acts 16:11-34

1. Grace **meets** you **where** you are (v. 11-15).

Romans 10:14-15b: "How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent?"

- God **sends** the Christian.
- The Christian **speaks** the good news.
- The non-christian **hears** and then **believes**.

2. Grace **frees** you from what **controls** you (v. 16-24).

- Desires start good, become **distorted**, make **demands**, and then enslave us.

Romans 7:15: For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

Romans 7:18,19: For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.

- True freedom isn't **absence** of constraints, but finding the **right** constraints.
- Grace frees us by **binding** us to the One we're made for.
 - His cords of love are **for** us, wrap **around** us, and move **through** us.

3. Grace **carries** you all the way **home** (v. 25-34).

Romans 8:38: For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.