

30 JOURNEYS





A blue-tinted collage of various board games including chess, checkers, and dominoes.

STRATEGY

SOJOURNERS

A photograph of a person walking away from the viewer on a dry, cracked earth path. The path leads towards a range of mountains in the distance. The sky above is a deep blue with numerous stars visible.

MISSIONAL

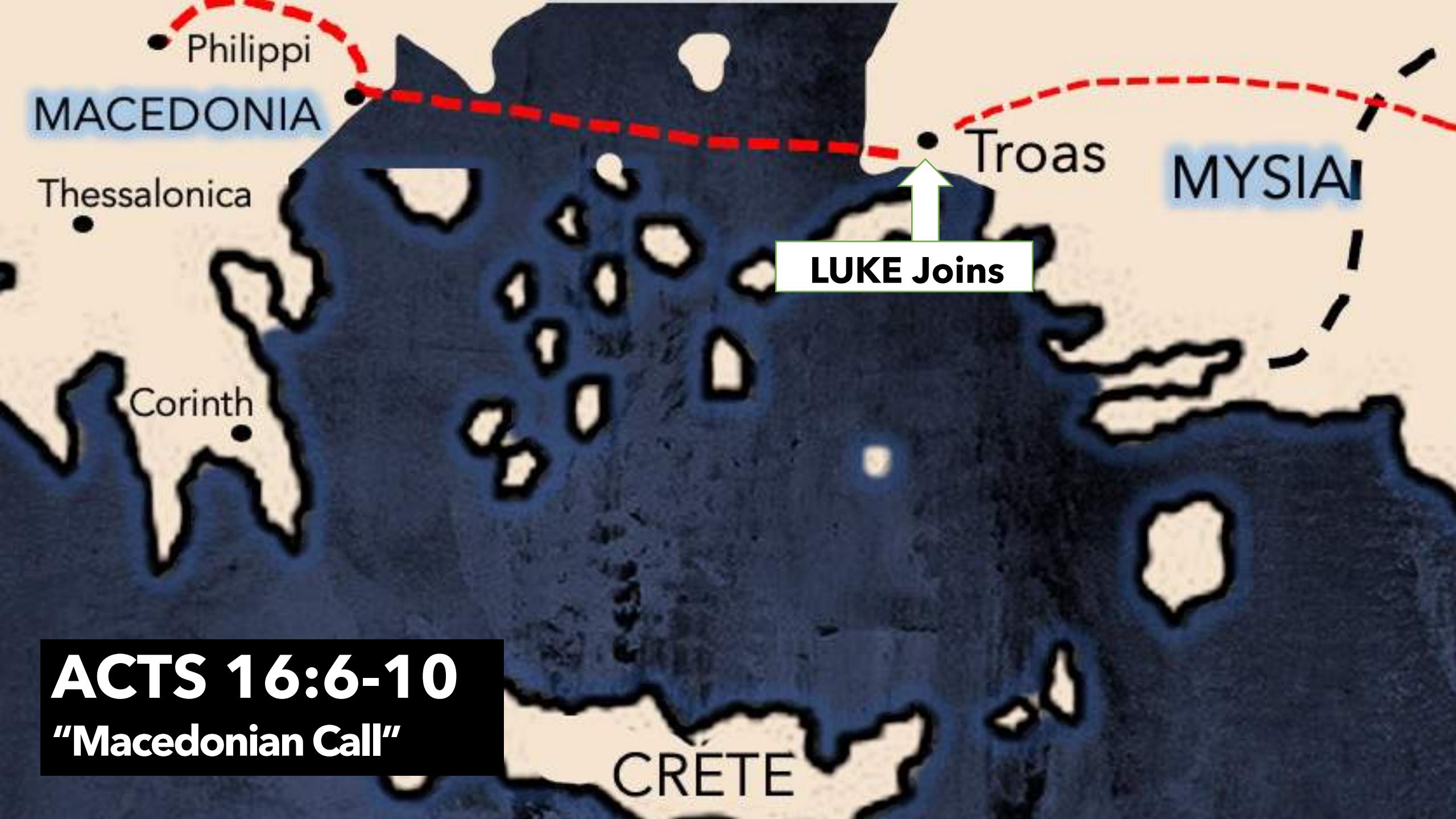
Ambassadors for Christ
2 Corinthians 5:20

TRANSITIONAL

Citizens of Heaven
Philippians 3:20

INTENTIONAL

Sojourners on Earth
1 Peter 2:11



ACTS 16:6-10
“Macedonian Call”

LUKE Joins

A landscape at night with mountains in the background and a starry sky above.

DELAYED DELIVERANCE

THE SECOND MISSIONARY JOURNEY
ACTS 16:16-38

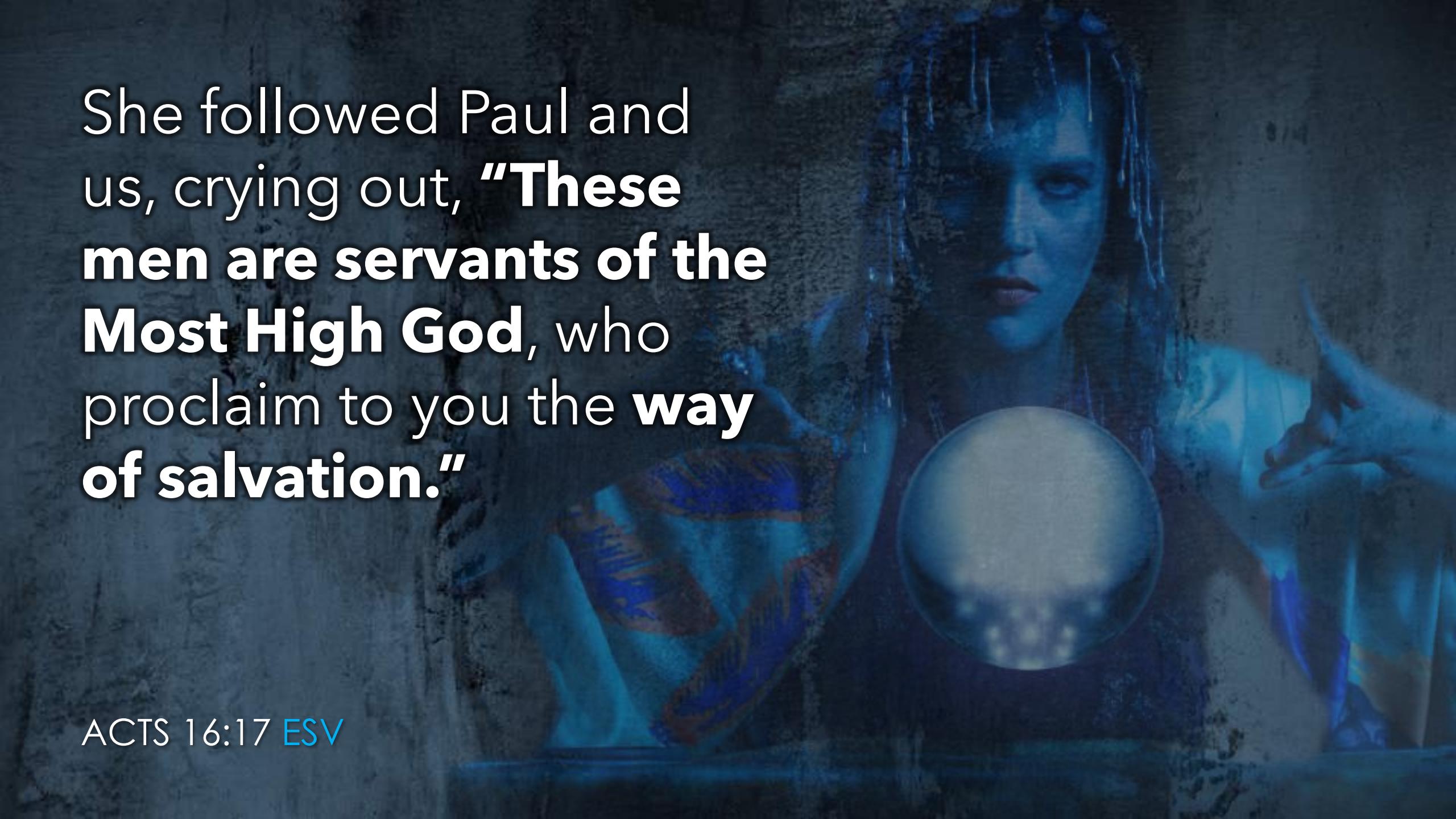
A photograph of the archaeological site of Philippi, featuring the remains of a large, multi-story temple made of light-colored stone blocks. The structure has several columns standing on tall bases. The sky is clear and blue.

Philippi

3 PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS

As we were going to the **place of prayer**, we were met by a slave girl who had a **spirit of divination** and brought her owners **much gain** by fortune-telling.

ACTS 16:16 ESV

A woman with dark skin and long dark hair is shown from the chest up. She has blue paint or henna markings on her face, particularly around her eyes and on her hands. She is wearing a dark sari with a red and gold border. Her gaze is directed downwards and to the left. The background is a textured, dark blue.

She followed Paul and us, crying out, **“These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation.”**

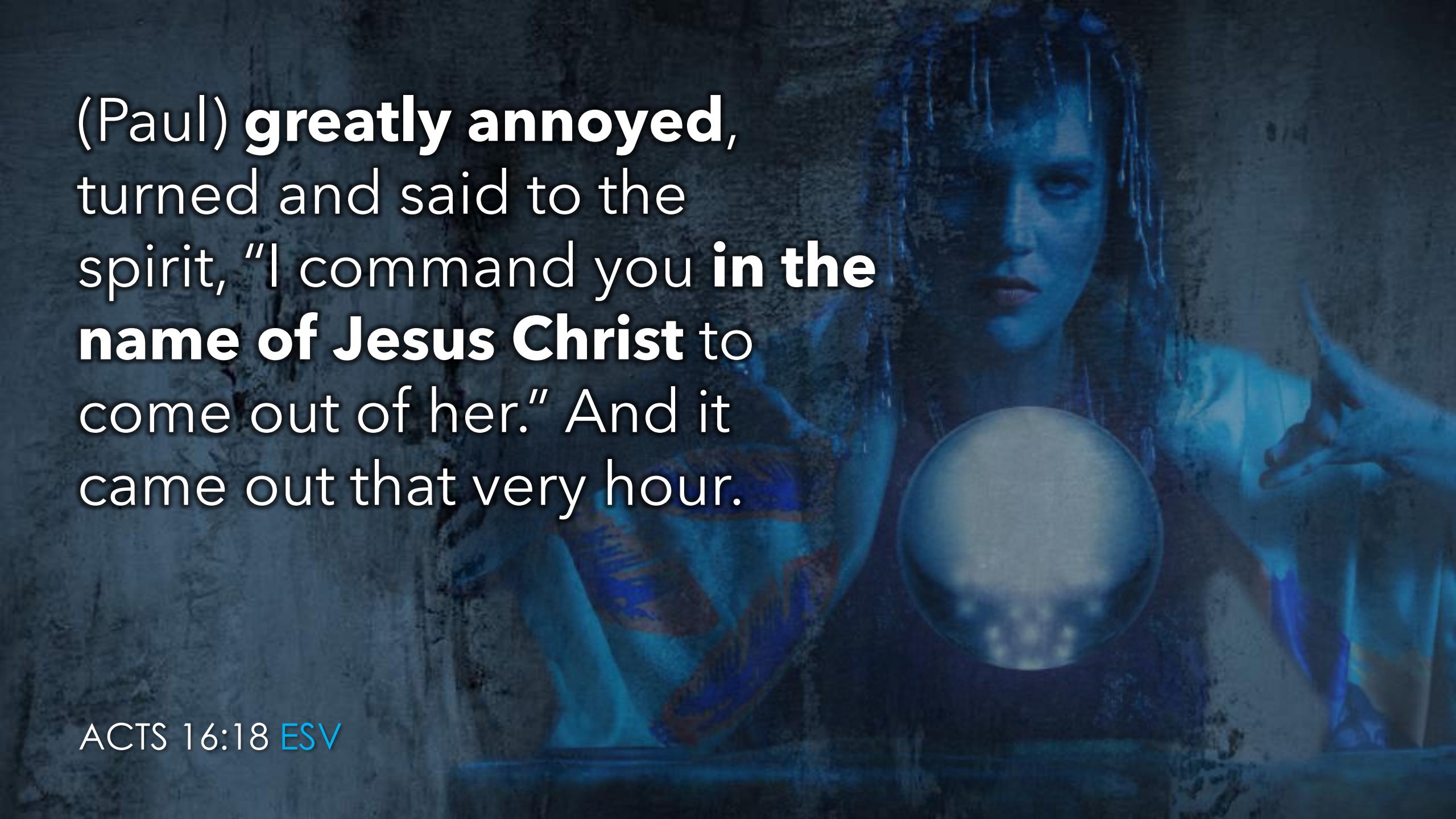
ACTS 16:17 ESV



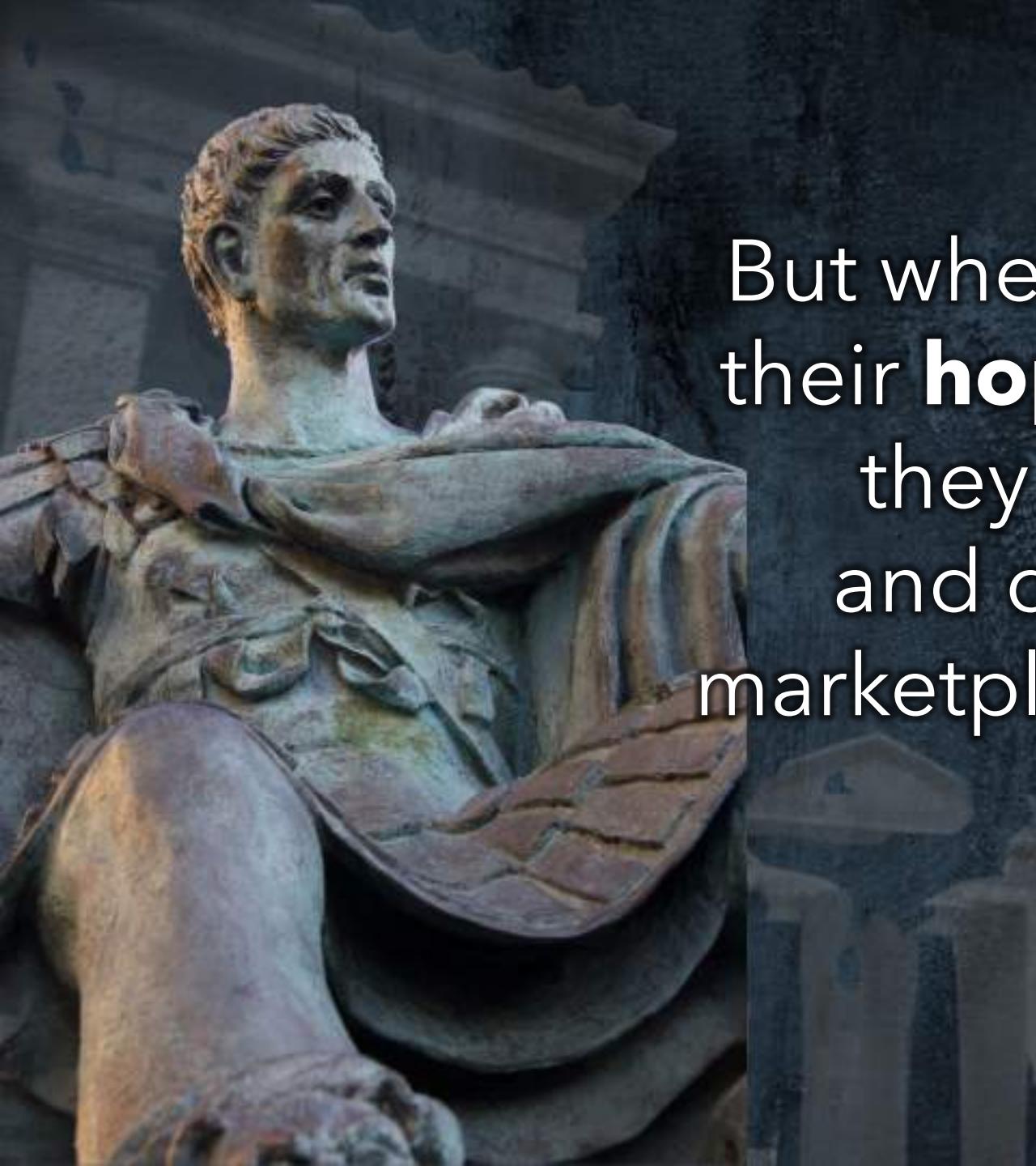
And this she kept doing for
many days. Paul, having
become **greatly annoyed...**

ACTS 16:18 ESV



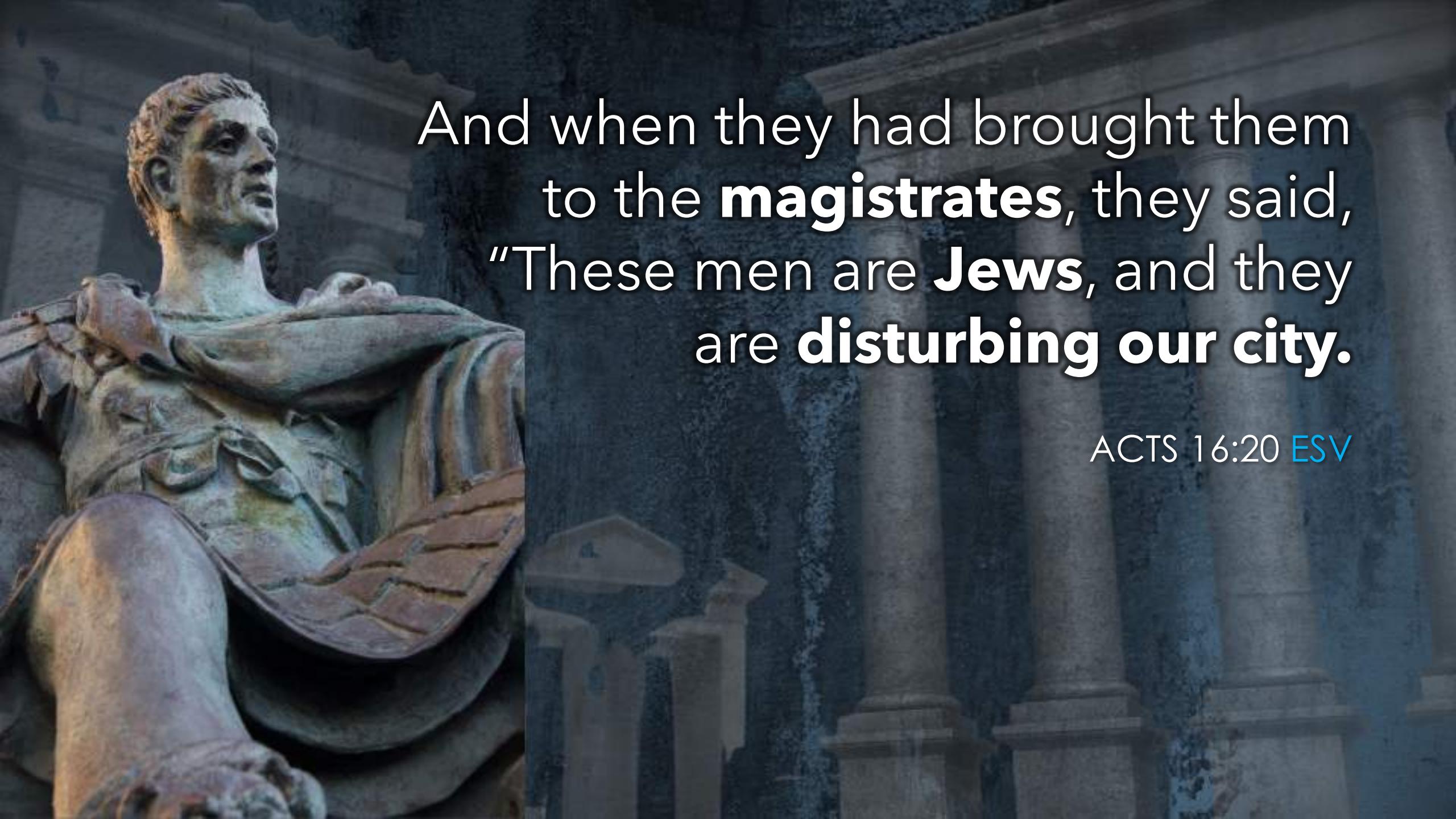


(Paul) **greatly annoyed**, turned and said to the spirit, “I command you **in the name of Jesus Christ** to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

A statue of a man, likely Paul or Silas, sitting and looking up. He is wearing a robe and has his hands clasped. The background is dark and textured.

But when her owners saw that
their **hope of gain was gone**,
they seized **Paul and Silas**
and dragged them into the
marketplace before the **rulers**.

ACTS 16:19 [ESV](#)

A statue of a man in a robe, possibly a philosopher or deity, looking upwards.

And when they had brought them
to the **magistrates**, they said,
“These men are **Jews**, and they
are **disturbing our city**.

ACTS 16:20 **ESV**



“They advocate **customs** that
are **not lawful** for us as
Romans to accept or practice.”

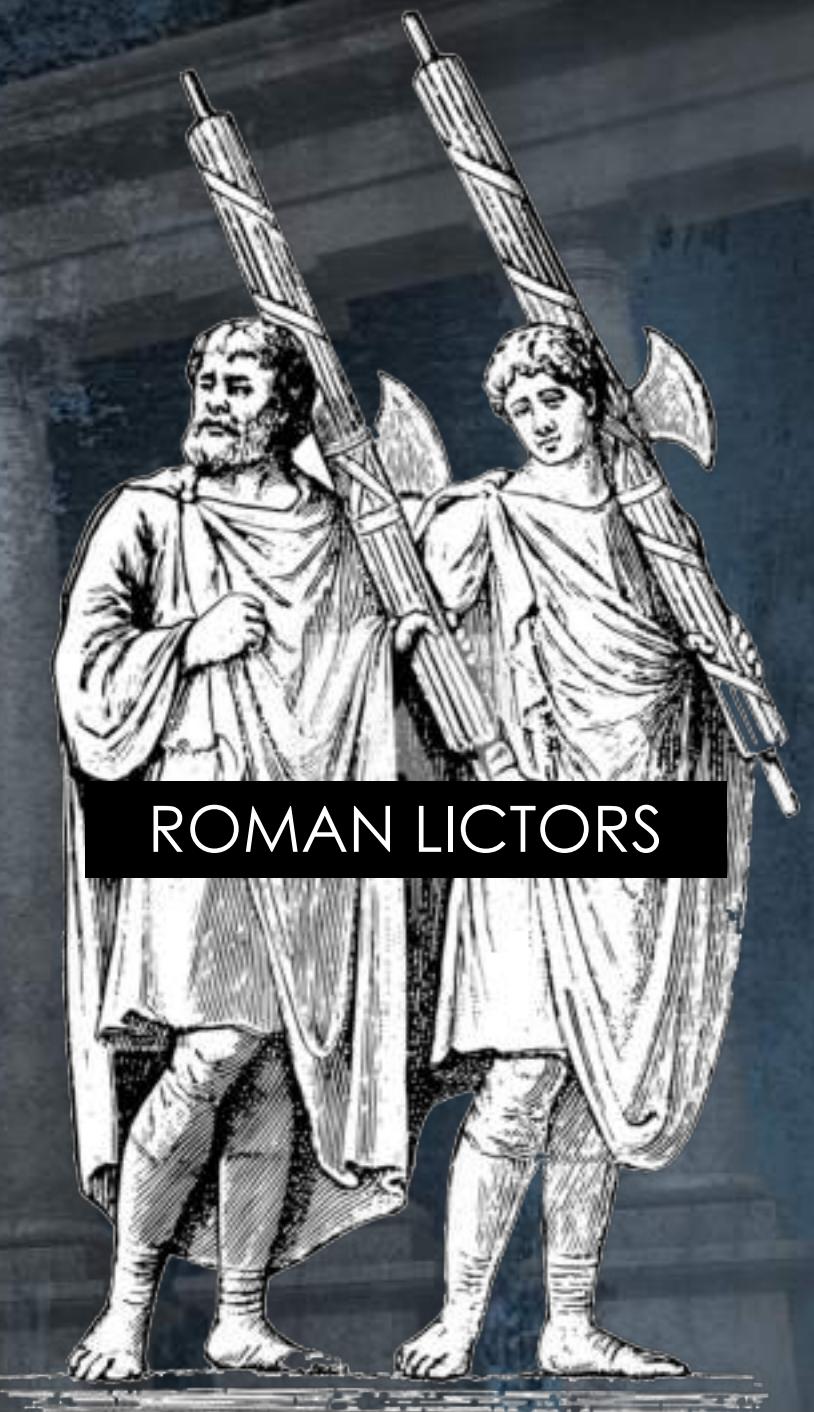
ACTS 16:21 **ESV**

A wide-angle photograph of a vast, sandy plain under a dark blue night sky filled with stars. In the distance, a range of mountains is visible, their peaks partially obscured by white, billowing clouds. A lone figure, seen from behind, walks away from the viewer towards the horizon. The word "TARGETED" is overlaid in large, bold, white capital letters.

TARGETED

The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to **beat them with rods.**

ACTS 16:22 ESV



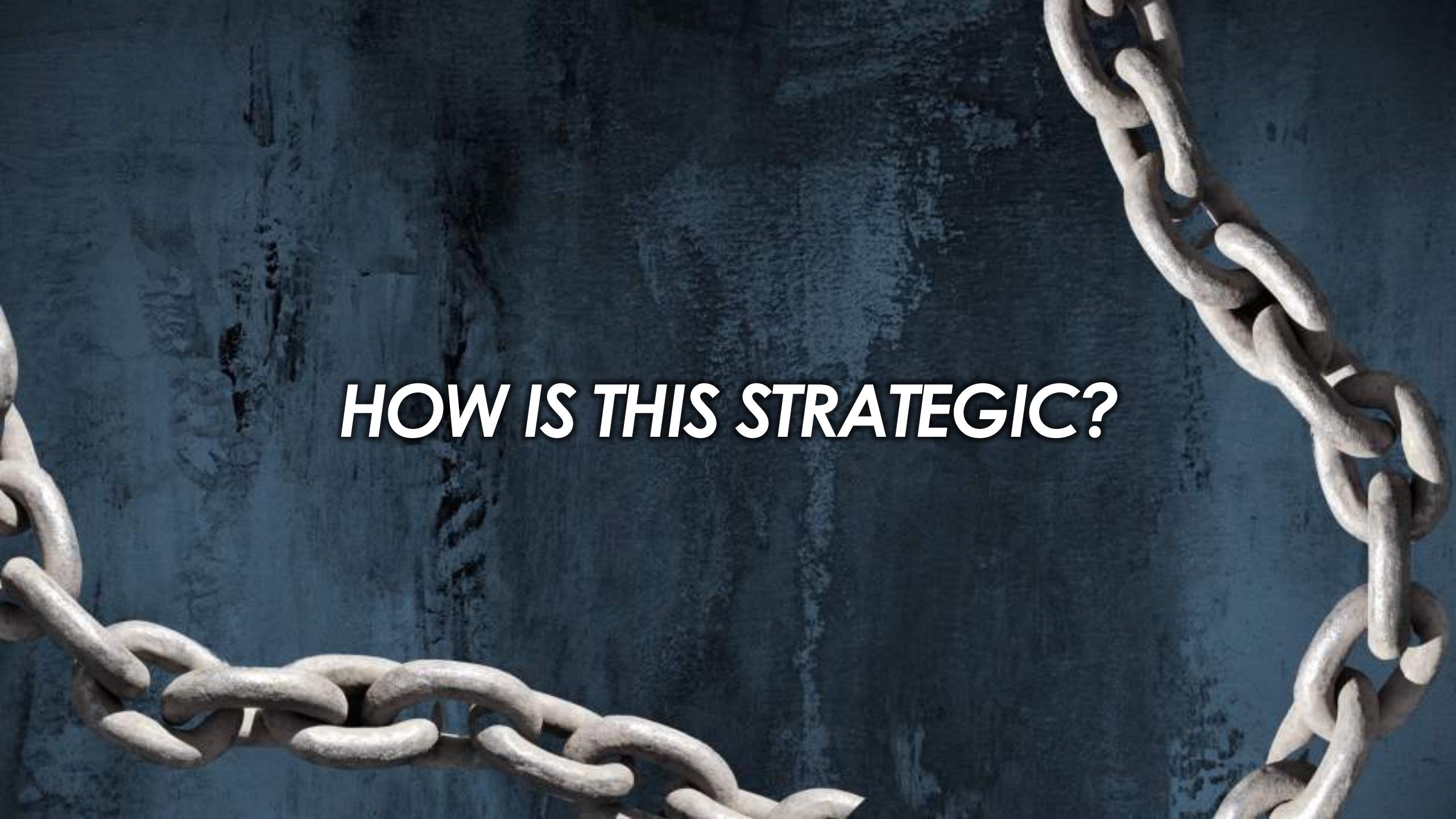
And when they had
inflicted many blows
upon them, they threw
them into prison, ordering
the **jailer** to keep them
safely.



Having received this order, he put them into the **inner prison** and **fastened their feet in the stocks**.



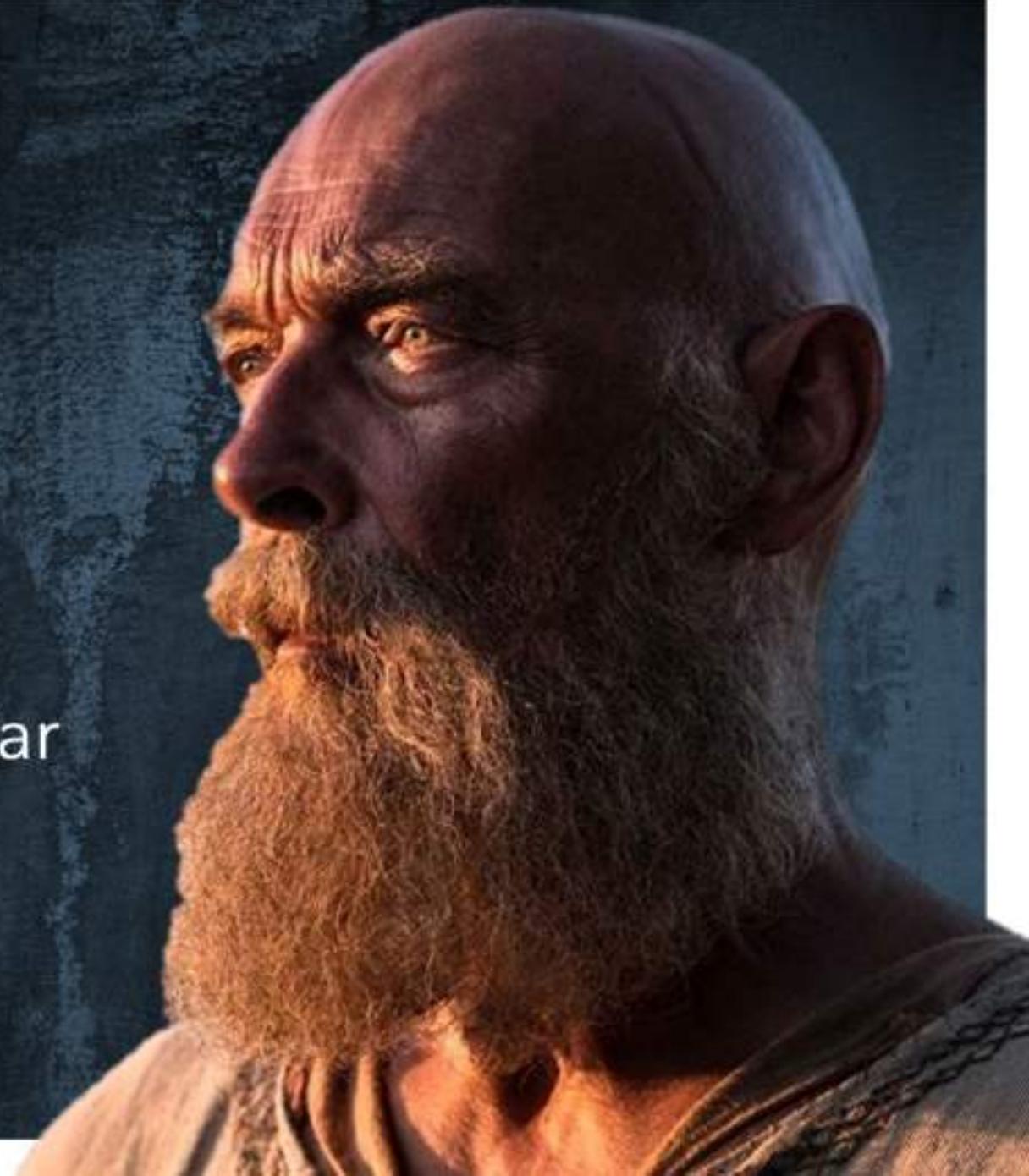
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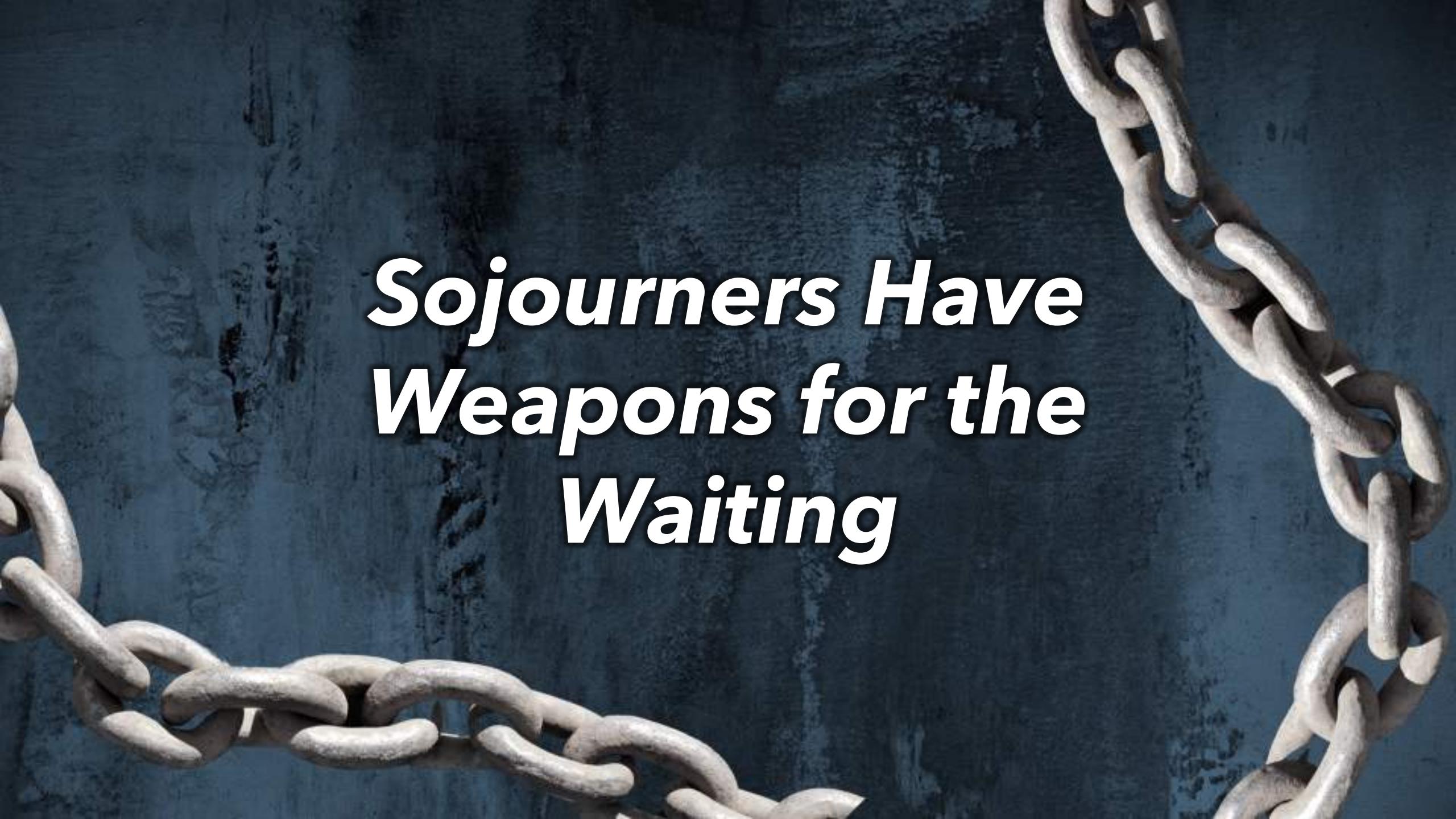


HOW IS THIS STRATEGIC?

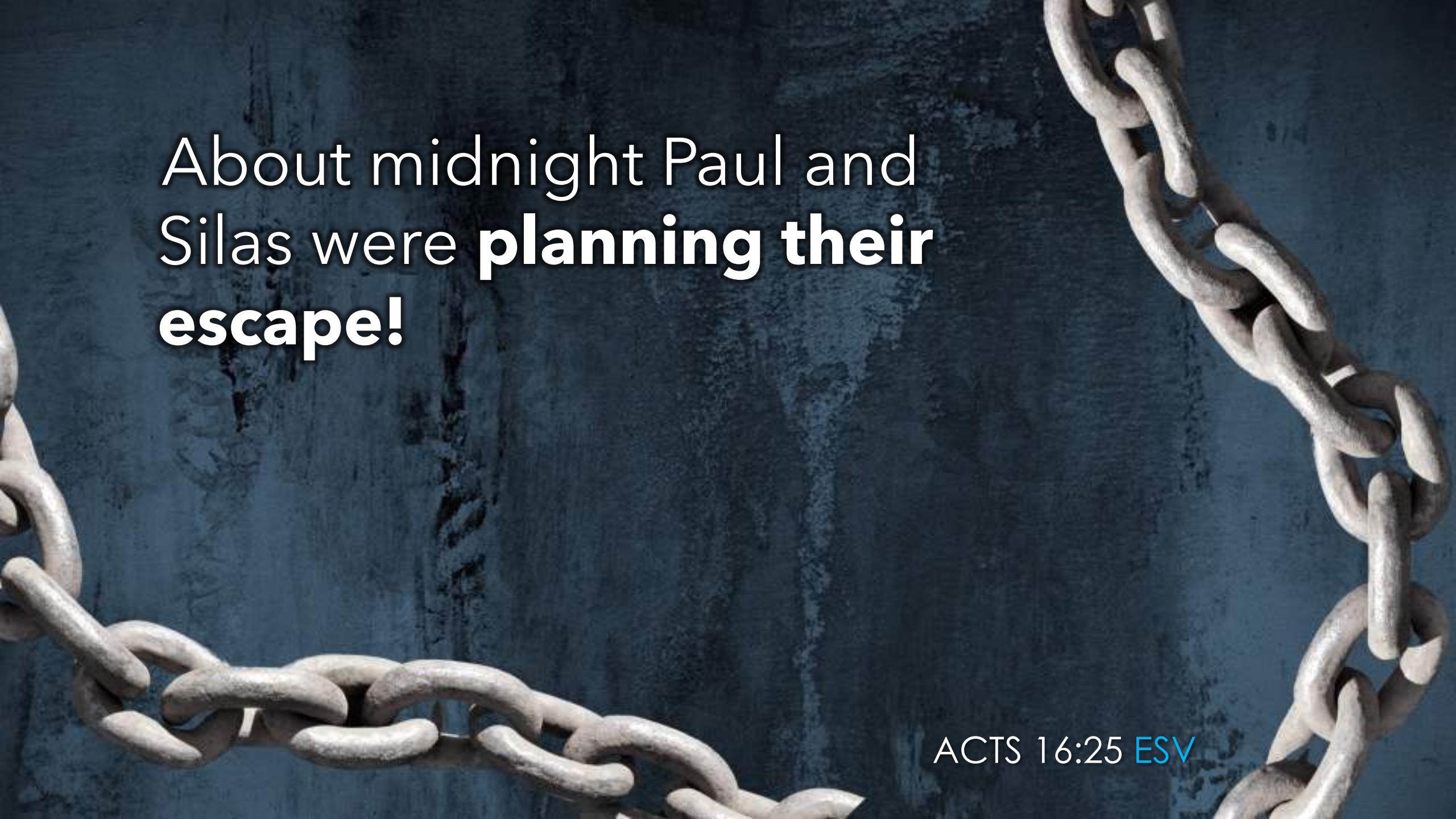
For it has been granted to you
that for the sake of Christ you
should not only believe in him
but also suffer for his sake,
engaged in the same conflict
that you saw I had and now hear
that I still have.

Philippians 1:29-30



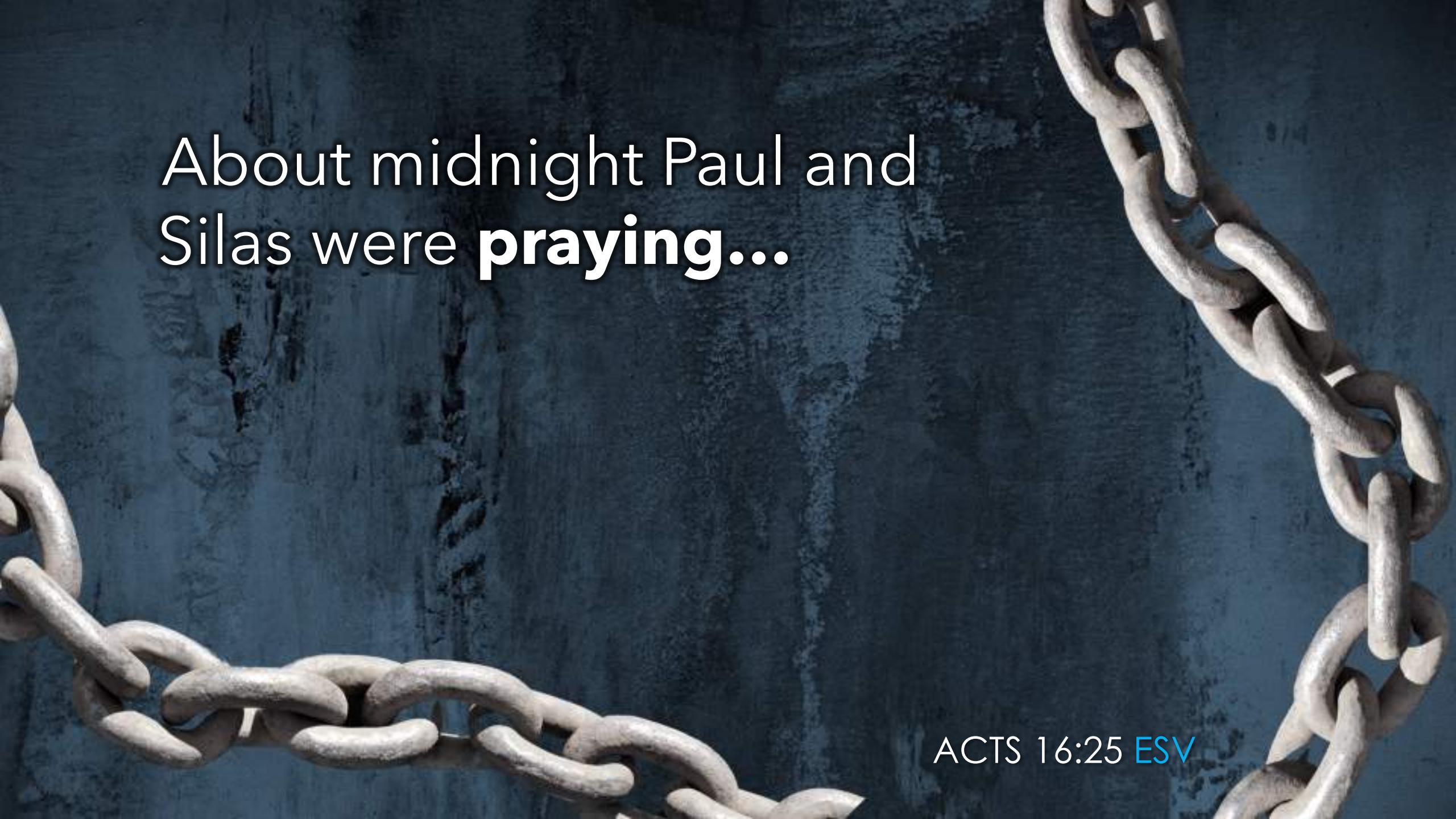


*Sojourners Have
Weapons for the
Waiting*



About midnight Paul and Silas were **planning their escape!**

ACTS 16:25 [ESV](#)



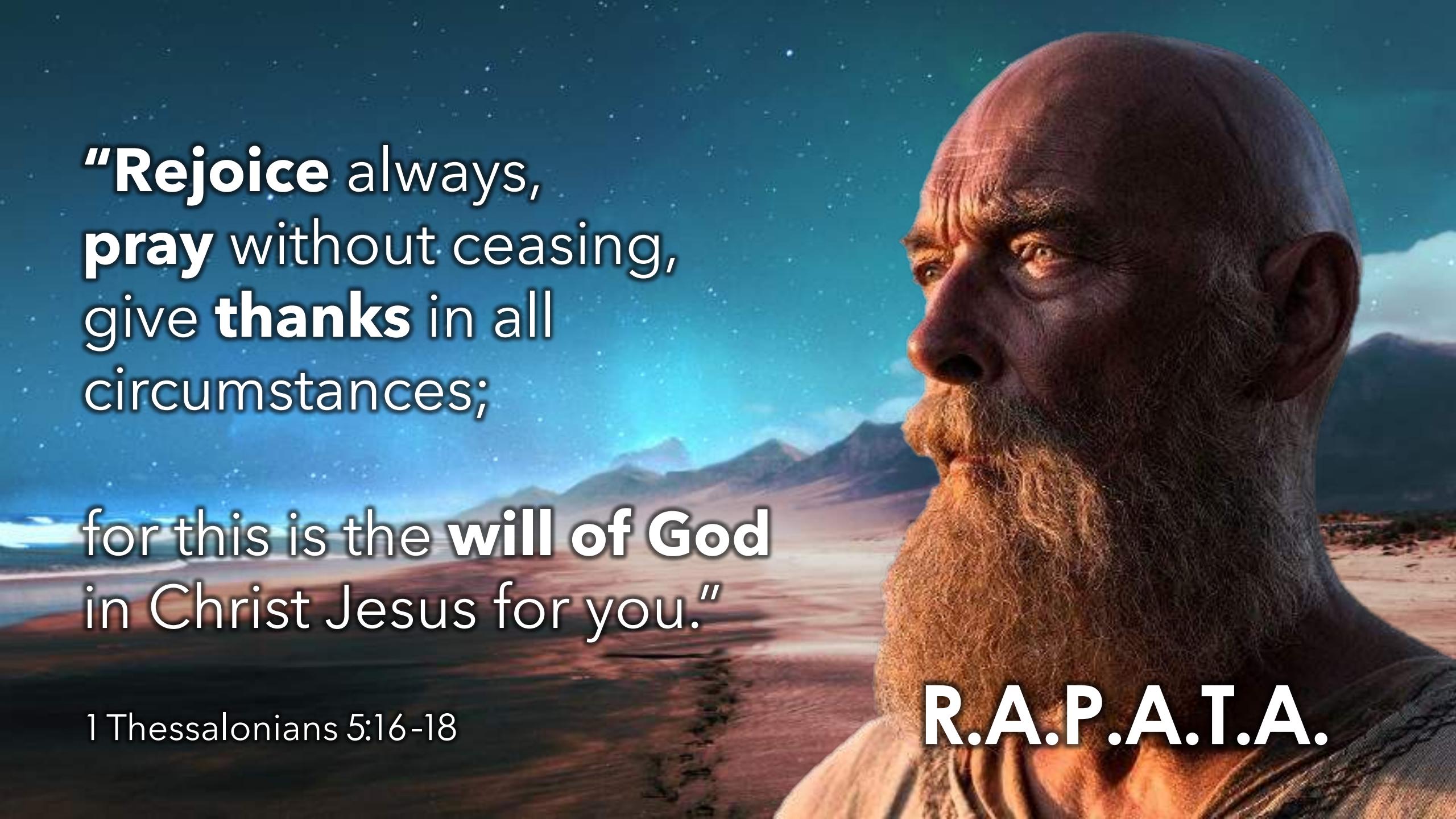
About midnight Paul and
Silas were **praying...**

ACTS 16:25 [ESV](#)

**"Rejoice always,
pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all
circumstances;**

for this is the **will of God**
in Christ Jesus for you."

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



R.A.P.A.T.A.

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will **guard your hearts** and your **minds** in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:7





PRAYER IS PERSPECTIVE

Dependence

Acknowledging our need for God

Reminder

Reminds us WHO we are and WHOSE we are

Aligns Our Will

"My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will." (Matt 26:39)

Adoration

Showing loyalty and admiration for our Father

Confession

Admit wrong and accepting forgiveness.
Results in relational intimacy.

Thanksgiving

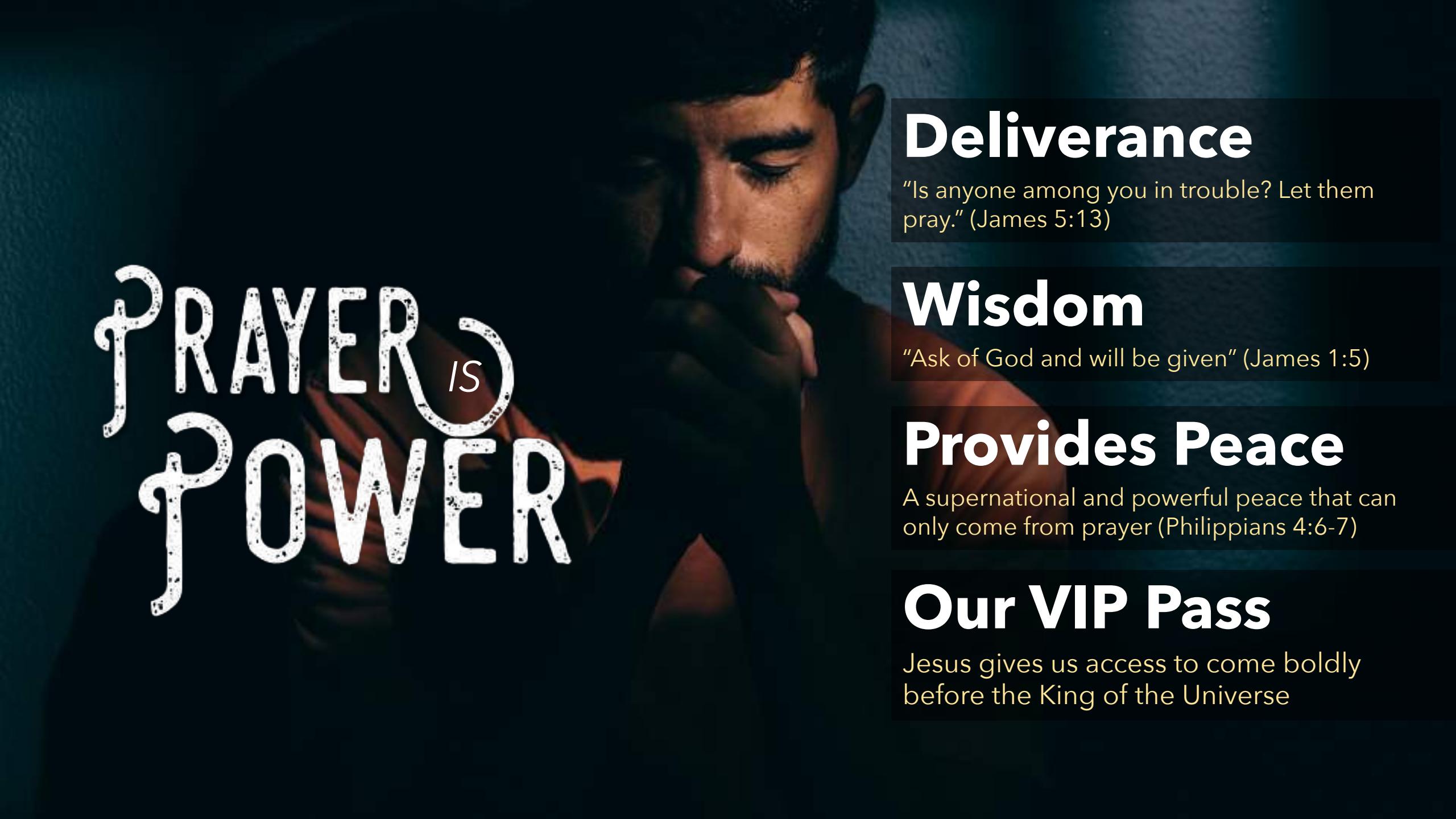
"With thanksgiving, let your request be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6)

Supplication

A request or petition. Prayer for mercy, leading, wisdom, or deliverance

A.C.T.S.





PRAYER IS POWER

Deliverance

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray." (James 5:13)

Wisdom

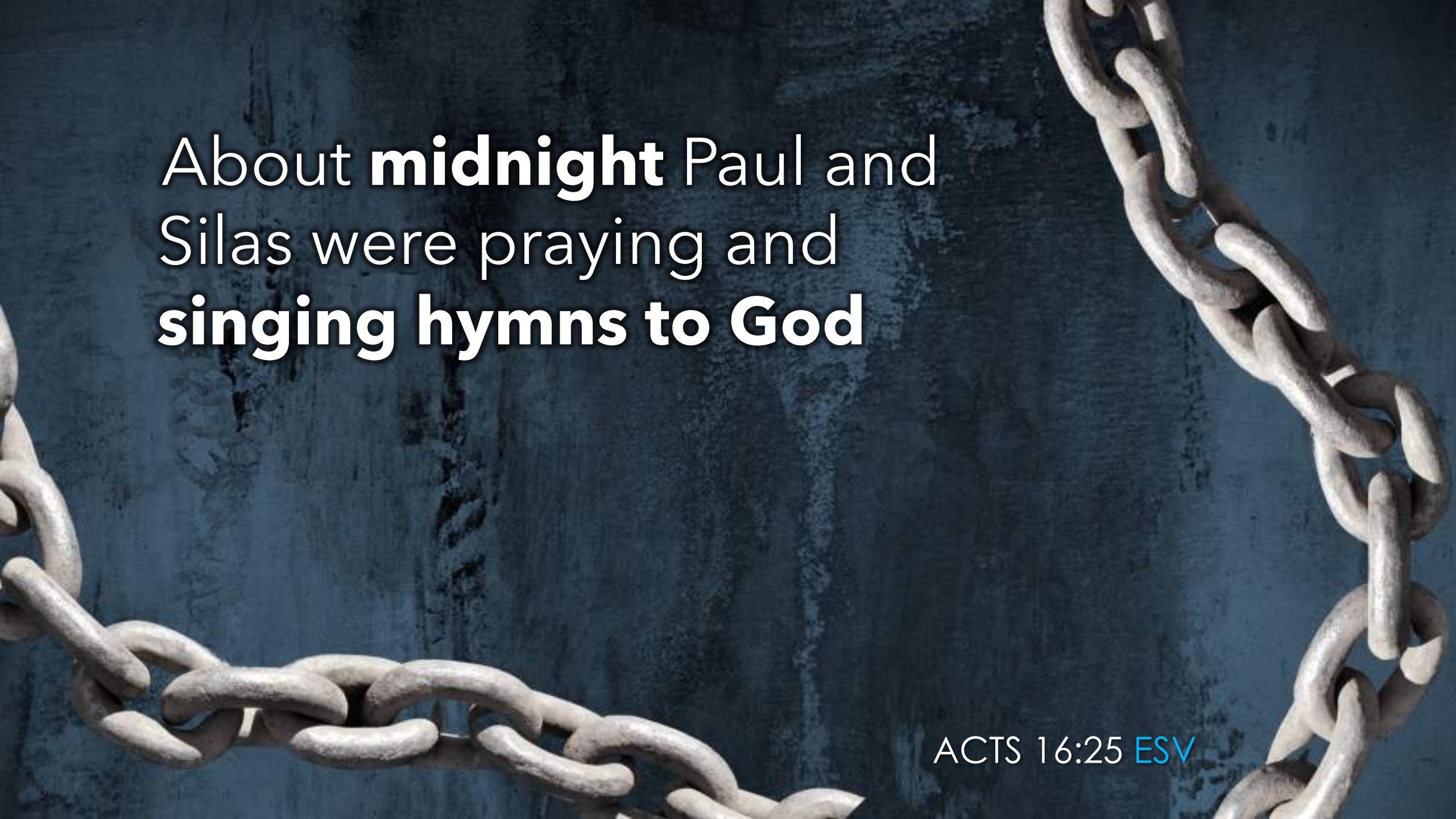
"Ask of God and will be given" (James 1:5)

Provides Peace

A supernatural and powerful peace that can only come from prayer (Philippians 4:6-7)

Our VIP Pass

Jesus gives us access to come boldly before the King of the Universe



About **midnight** Paul and
Silas were praying and
singing hymns to God

ACTS 16:25 **ESV**





**WORSHIP
IS
A WEAPON**

God's Presence

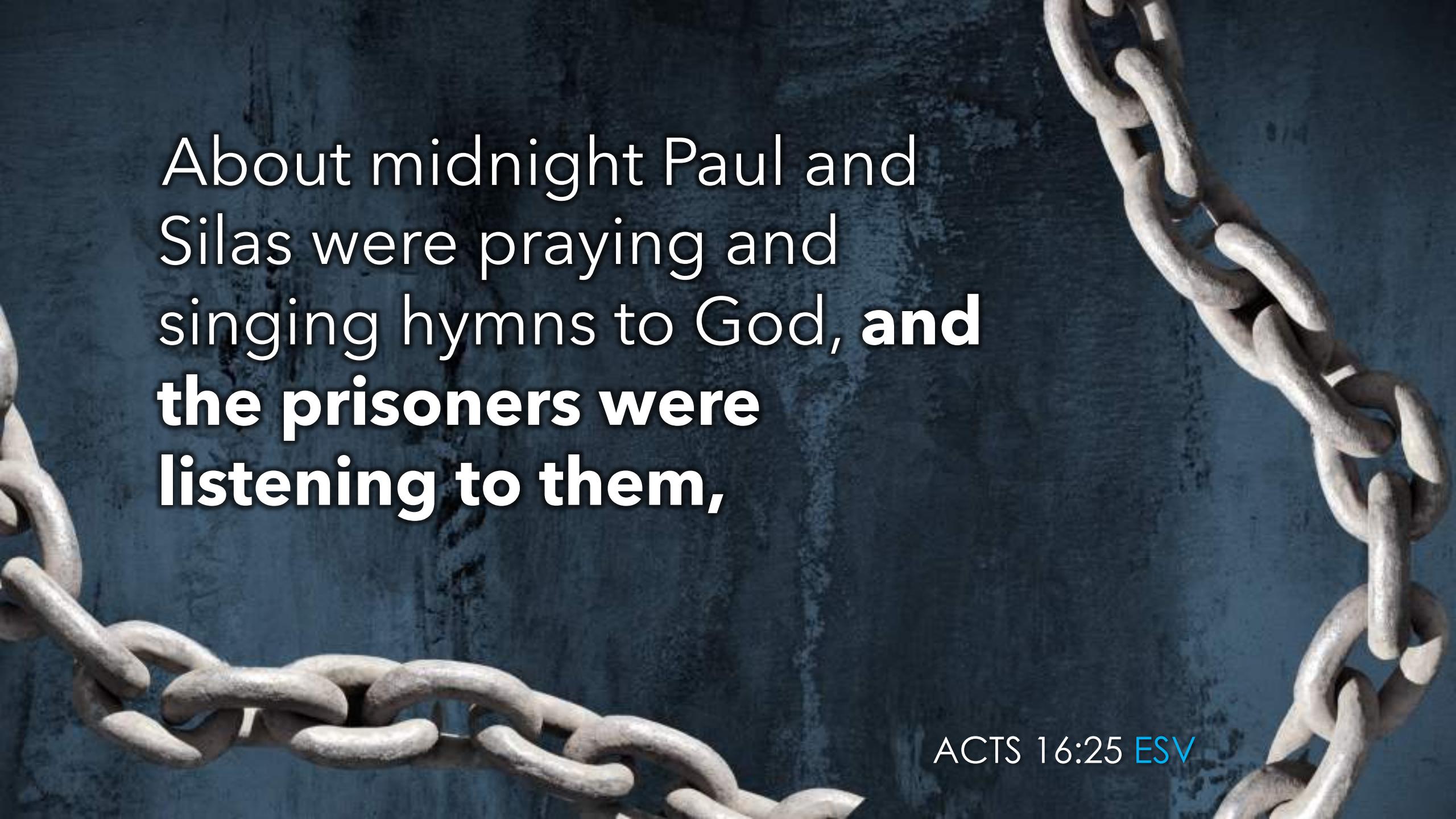
Jesus sang with his disciples before his crucifixion.

Encouragement

Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart." (Ephesians 5:19)

Teaching

"Teach and admonish one another...psalms, singing"
(Colossians 3:16)



About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, **and the prisoners were listening to them,**

ACTS 16:25 ESV



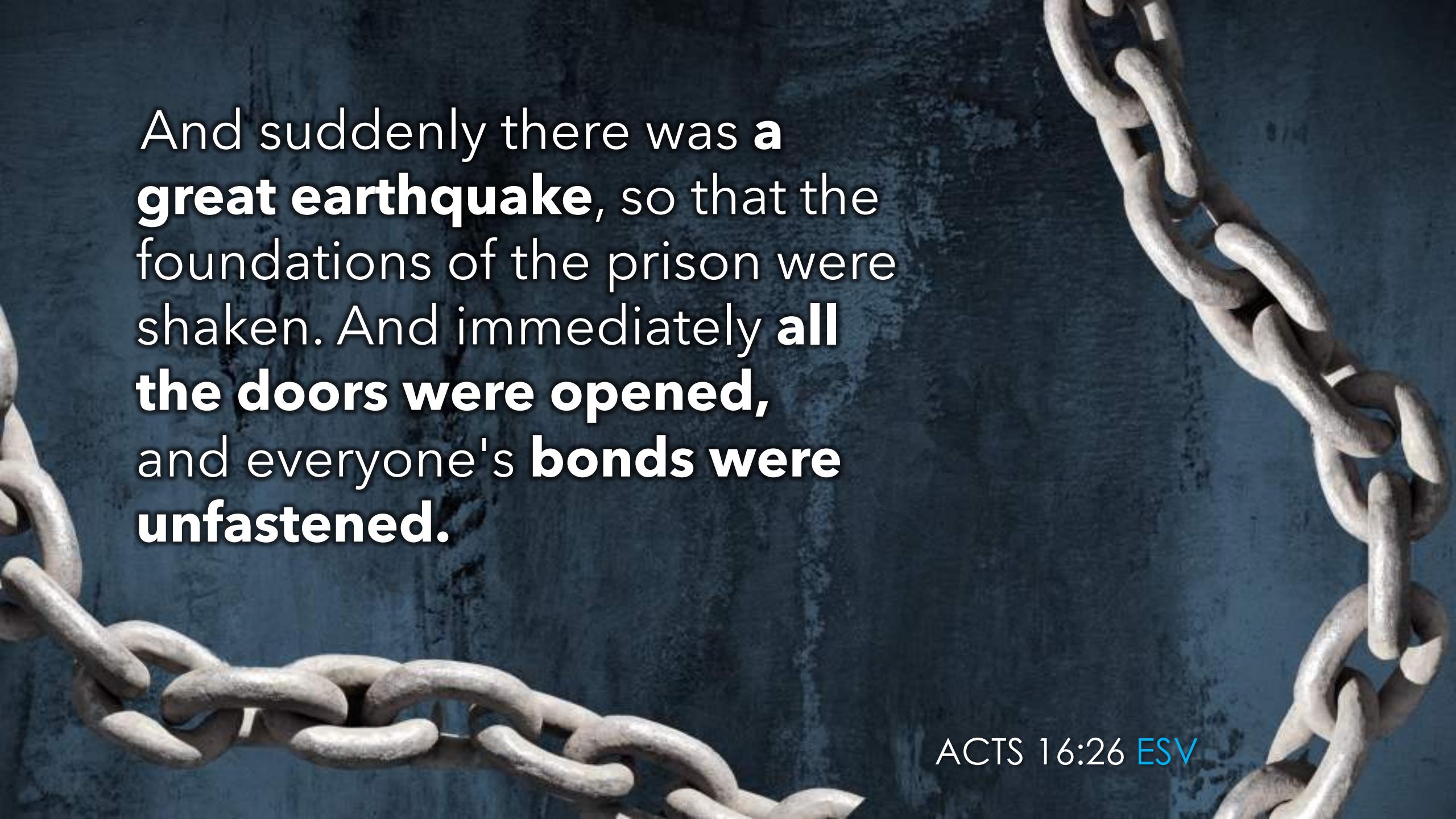
WORSHIP IS A WITNESS

Proclaims Christ

Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of **praise** to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name. (Heb 13:15)

Gospel in Song

O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord,
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation. (Psalm 95:1)



And suddenly there was **a great earthquake**, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately **all the doors were opened**, and everyone's **bonds were unfastened**.

ACTS 16:26 ESV

When the jailer woke and saw
that the prison doors were
open, he **drew his sword**
and was about to kill himself,
supposing that the prisoners
had escaped.

But Paul cried with a loud voice,
“Do not harm yourself, for we
are all here.”

ACTS 16:27-28 ESV



And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and **trembling with fear he fell down** before Paul and Silas.

Then he brought them out and said, **“Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”**

ACTS 16:29-30 ESV



And they said, "**Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved**, you and your household."

And they **spoke the word of the Lord** to him and to all who were in his house.

ACTS 16:31-32 ESV



And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was **baptized** at once, he and all his family.

ACTS 16:33 **ESV**



Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he **rejoiced** along with his entire household that he had **believed in God.**

ACTS 16:34 **ESV**



A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a vast, dry, reddish-brown plain stretching to a range of mountains in the distance. The sky is a deep blue, filled with numerous stars. A single figure, seen from behind, walks away from the camera along a dirt path that leads towards the horizon.

Delayed Deliverance

Affliction?

Hold Up?

Injustice?

But **when it was day**, the magistrates sent the police, saying, “**Let those men go.**” And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, “The magistrates have sent to let you go. **Therefore come out now and go in peace.**”



But Paul said to them, “They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are **Roman citizens**, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? **No! Let them come themselves and take us out.**”

The police reported these words to the magistrates, and **they were afraid** when they heard that they were **Roman citizens.**

So they came and **apologized to them.** And they took them out and **asked them to leave the city.**



So they went out of the prison and
visited Lydia. And when they had
seen the brothers, they
encouraged them and departed.

ACTS 16:38-39 ESV

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