



Sermon Notes / Outline

May 3, 2026

PAUL AND SILAS, Week 1 HOW TO SURVIVE LIFE'S WORST MOMENTS

"Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling." Acts 16:16 (NIV)

"This girl 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 16:17 (NIV)

"She kept this up for many days." Acts 16:18a (NIV)

"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 16:20-21 (NIV)

"The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten." Acts 16:22 (NIV)

"After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully." Acts 16:23 (NIV)

"Upon receiving such orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks." Acts 16:24 (NIV)

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

Truth: In my darkest hour, my _____ is revealed.
Other People watch to see how I react to _____

My _____ becomes the stage for my _____

Principle: What I _____ won't _____ me

"In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33b (NIV)

To survive life's worst moments and find freedom:

Even in my darkest hour, in my worst moment, I can sense the _____ and the _____ of God