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Acts 16

16 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. **17** 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." **18** 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. **19** 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. **20** They brought them before the magistrates and said, "These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar **21** by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice."



Questions for Discussion

1. Read Acts 16:16-21.
2. What happens in the story?
3. What does it tell us about the world we live in?
4. What does Paul show us about the power that Christians have?
5. Why do you think demonstrations of spiritual power were important to the witness of the early church?
6. What do you think would be the consequences of ignoring this aspect of the biblical worldview?

Take time to pray for one another.