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THE GOSPEL'S JOURNEY TO THE LIVES OF PEOPLE

Lydia: The Gospel a heart of sharing and service. (Acts 16:12-15)
Slave Girl: The Gospel has over every sort of evil. (Acts 16:16-18)
Paul: The Gospel offers a joy that trying circumstances, but it also often leads us into those very circumstances. (Acts 16:25-34)
Jailer: The Gospel anything that stands against it, and it has the power to an entire family. (Acts 16:25-34)
Paul and Company: The Gospel gives us in any situation, and it makes us the interests of others above our own. (Acts 16:35-40)

In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death - even death on a cross! Philippians 2:5-8



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