Lesson XII.

THE PHILIPPIAN JAILER

June 18, 1916

Acts 16: 19-34. Study Acts 16: 16-40. *Scripture Memory Verses, Ps. 100: 3-5.

Golden Text-Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved, thou and thy house.— Acts 16: 31 (Rev. Ver.).



19 And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Si'las, and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers,

20 And brought them to the magistrates. saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city,

21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Ro'mans.

22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely :

24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 And at midnight Paul and Si'las prayed. and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were

27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have

killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. 28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.
29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before

Paul and Si'las,

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? 31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Je'sus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. 33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

THE LESSON RETOLD

One day in Philippi, Paul and his friends met a poor slave girl who had an evil spirit, and made a great deal of money for her masters by telling fortunes. She followed them, and heard their words about Jesus. Day after day she followed them. At last Paul ordered the evil spirit to come out of her. At once the girl became quiet and her right mind came back to her. Her masters were very angry, because they knew that she would not

tell fortunes any more. They caught hold of Paul and Silas and dragged them to the marketplace where the judges sat. are teaching things it is not lawful for us to do," they said. The judges ordered that the missionaries should be beaten. They were dragged to the public whipping place in the middle of the market square. Their coats were torn off them, and they were beaten with sticks till their backs were sore. They

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