

Paul and Silas in prison.

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Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved - you and your household. Acts 16: 31

Welcome

God is good – all the time! And all the time – God is good!

Introduction: "And so that night Paul and Silas told the jailer and all his family about God and every one of them believed in God and decided to follow him."

Song:

Lord, the light of Your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth You now bring us Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

> Lord, I come to Your awesome presence From the shadows into Your radiance By the blood, I may enter Your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me

Chorus

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever-changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me, shine on me

Chorus

Prayers to say sorry.

A story based on Acts 16: 16-40.

Song: (sing twice)

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty!
There's nothing my God cannot do!
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Talk: What we learn from the story.

Song:

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

My chains are gone, I've been set free My God, my Saviour has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy reigns Unending love Amazing grace

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Chorus

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

Chorus

Time of Prayer – ending with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Song:

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

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He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace; Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race; 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.

Chorus

Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

Chorus

Closing prayer:

Paul and Silas set a good example for us all.

Dear Lord, help us set a good example with our behaviour. Help us to learn the lessons taught us by this story. And help us to remember to pray when things are difficult. Amen

You are very welcome to stay for more coffee after the service.

The May AAW will be held on Sunday 19th May. The June AAW will be on Sunday 16th June.