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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Aug. 31 Family Worship Sunday

Sun. Aug. 31 Disaster Relief Interest Meeting

Sun. Aug. 31 New Sermon Series - Philippians

Mon. Sept. 1 Labor Day - Church Office Closed

Wed. Sept. 3 Student Ministry

Sun. Sept. 7 ForeRunners Connection

Sun. Sept. 7 PLACE Class

Sun. Sept. 7 Foundations Class

Tues. Sept. 9 Tuesday Morning Bible Studies

Wed. Sept. 10 Wednesday Night Bible Studies

Wed. Sept. 10 Student Ministry

Wed. Sept. 10 Children's Ministries - all ages

Wed. Sept. 10 GriefShare

Thurs. Sept. 11 Mom LIFE

For complete event details and registration, visit our website: fellowshipwaco.org/events or scan the QR code at right.



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Telephone: 254.848.7200 Good Morning Fellowship!

There is only one unshakable hope in this world: Jesus Christ, and the "good news" of all He has done, is doing, and will do. This morning, we begin our new series in the Book of Philippians by looking to the first time the gospel of grace entered Europe and began transforming lives in the city of Philippi. For over 2,000 years, this same gospel has been changing lives, and it can transform yours, too.

Grant Kaul, Senior Pastor

# God's Portrait Gallery of the Gospel of Grace

# Introduction to Philippians Acts 16:6-40

the gospel: the "good news" that by grace God forgives and redeems all who are broken over their sin and trust in Jesus Christ – believing in His perfect life, substitutionary death, and resurrection. Through this salvation, He grants them eternal life and calls them to follow Him as disciples in His kingdom.

How does the gospel of Christ transform the people of the world?

1. The Gospel Matures Believers: Paul 16:6-12

2. The Gospel Opens Hearts: Lydia 16:13-15













3. The Gospel Liberates the Captive: A Spiritually-Oppressed Slave Girl	16:16-24
4. The Gospel Strengthens Believers in Suffering: Paul & Silas	16:25
5. The Gospel Saves the Hopeless: The Philippian Jailer	16:25-40
Only the gospel of Christ can transform the people of the v	vorld.









#### My personal application of this passage:

#### Questions for individual study and LIFE Groups:

- 1. When have you experienced a "closed door" that later proved to be God's redirection, and how did it shape your trust in His timing and your maturity in following God's direction?
- 2. How does Lydia's story of salvation demonstrate that success and influence don't replace the need for Christ?
- 3. How do we see the liberating power of Jesus Christ in Acts 16:14-18?
- 4. When you face hardship, do you usually respond with complaining, despair, or worship? What would it look like for your suffering to become a testimony of joy to those around you?
- 5. How does the story of the Philippian jailor in Acts 16:25-34 encourage you to believe that no one is beyond the reach of God's grace?
- 6. Looking at all the portraits in Acts 16, which one do you most relate to right now, and how is God displaying His grace in your life as part of His gospel gallery?



