

## Missionaries

Why have you gone, or not gone, on a mission trip?

Read Acts 16:1-40.

1. Why would Paul recruit you to be on his mission team (vs. 1)?
  - A. You've always wanted to go on a mission trip.
  - B. You would be a very good person for his mission trip.
  - C. His mission trip would be a very good experience for you.
  - D. Some in your family are believers, and some aren't.
  - E. Paul would have to be pretty desperate to choose you.
  - F. You have a strong commitment to Jesus.
  - G. You have a strong commitment to share Jesus with others.
  - H. You're the best your church has to offer.
  - I. Other.
  
2. What would you be willing to suffer for Jesus?
  - A. Not much.
  - B. Public ridicule.
  - C. Become circumcised.
  - D. Loss of family and friends.
  - E. I'd put my life on the line for Jesus.
  - F. Experience the "fellowship of Christ's sufferings."
  - G. Persecution.
  - H. I'd give up my current hopes and dreams.
  - I. Other.
  
3. What do you gain by becoming a missionary for Jesus?
  - A. Excitement and adventure.
  - B. Fellowship with others on the same mission.
  - C. Engagement with supernatural powers.
  - D. Purpose and meaning.
  - E. See people becoming converted.
  - F. The obvious need for dependence on God.
  - G. Freedom from the concerns of this world.
  - H. So much more to learn and experience.
  - I. Other.

4. Why were Paul and Silas put in jail?
  - A. It all started because of Paul's impatience.
  - B. This was God's way of reaching those in jail instead of in church.
  - C. The jealousy of the Jewish leaders.
  - D. They broke Roman law.
  - E. When you mess with someone's finances, you pay for it.
  - F. Jail is the obvious destination for those stripped and beaten.
  - G. Paul seemed to incite riots.
  - H. The miracle of exorcism was well received by some, but not others.
  - I. Other.
  
5. What happened to Timothy when Paul and Silas went to jail?
  - A. Timothy was jailed right along with them.
  - B. The jail was for adults, not young people.
  - C. Timothy took their case to the magistrates for justice.
  - D. Timothy had to run for his life.
  - E. Nothing bad happens to young people.
  - F. Local church members hid Timothy.
  - G. Timothy returned home to Lystra, to his mother and grandmother.
  - H. Other.
  
6. What stands out in your mind about Paul's mission trip to Philippi?
  - A. The vision with a call specifically to go there.
  - B. Not starting at Jewish synagogue, like they usually did.
  - C. Baptisms the first Sabbath, at the river where they met for worship.
  - D. Exorcism of a demon-possessed girl who made money for her "master."
  - E. The negative reaction to freeing the demon-possessed girl.
  - F. Injustice done to Paul and Silas.
  - G. Singing at midnight in stocks in the inner prison.
  - H. What happened after the earthquake.
  - I. Other.
  
7. When is it better for you to just go along with people's expectations (like be circumcised, or leave town quietly) rather than take a stand?
  
  
8. What comparisons would you make between Paul's mission trips and a typical Maranatha mission trip?