

Q 16: 9-80

SUBJECT: Lydia, 2025
Genitive woman

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Acts 16: 9-40

Lydia: God's Business Women

The story

16:10 "we" Luke joins Paul and Silas on this second missionary journey

: 9, 13 the Macedonian man turns out to be a woman at prayer meeting

: 14, 15 the first convert in Europe
of: 14 "to open the heart in Paul's part
& pay attention in the woman's part" - Conversion

: 15 baptized immediately
without exception in N.T.

: 15 her home the home of the apostolic group, headquarters of the work
of Paul 4: 3 "help these women" - release in the gospel

: 40
of Paul 4: 15, 16 her support persuasive

I. The Business Woman

1. Lydia = "the Lydian woman"
the ancient and proud Lydian inscriptions etc. the Roman province Asia.
the ancient capital Sardis. of 7 churches of Asia, 5 in Lydia
the salt and most well-known city Croesus 560-546 B.C.
invented money. Gold, silver coins accepted world-wide
Herodotus story of Croesus captured by Persians
"Solon" advised Croesus' killing Ben Deo

2. Thyatira = ^{history} ~~quartz~~ ^{min-}
most well known industry, manufacturer of textile fabrics, gowns, purple dyes
of these, purple garments
the trade in purple dates back thousands of years
color discovered at Tyre in a shell fish
Babylon averaged their robes in it
shiny rays worn by Romans and succeeding Roman Kings
Crested by King upon favorites
of. intermen
some of the colors of the tabernacle
Pl. 16: 19 Dives clothed "..."
Solon 19: 2 Dives' purple robe

3. a Jewish proselyte - the act of a large Jewish community
ἑσβόμενος - a proselyte of the gate
- Turned aside from heathen idols

4. a woman } means
a household } servants
a home large enough for the assembly of the church

II. The Christian Conduct

1. Time for God
too busy?
What is time made for? Buy, sell, sow, reap, die
her habit of meeting for prayer

2. Her full commitment
baptized immediately and her household + influence would fall
as early converts

3. Paul, Silas, after prison. What for? 16:40
fidelity under trying circumstances. But now - baptism

Ps. 79:11

Job. 13:3

Matt. 25:34