

# Acts – Birth of the Church

## *Are You Known by the Enemy?*

Acts 16:16-40

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### Introduction:

- **2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:15**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:16-17**
  - Honest Conflict – A genuine concern for the mission of the church.
  - Dishonest Conflict – The conflict is based on personal preference or self.
  - Mark – In 68 A.D., he was martyred in Alexandria, Egypt.
  - Barnabas – In 61 A.D., he was martyred in Salimas, Cyprus.
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### 1. The Demons Knew Them:

- a. **Acts 16:16-18**
- b. It is good to be known – *Cheer's* Chorus
- c. You want to be known for the right reasons, not the wrong ones.
  - i. Wrong – Hitler ... Nero ... Benedict Arnold
  - ii. Right – George Washington ... Abraham Lincoln ... Mary Ludwig Hayes
- d. Clarifying Points:
  - i. Only God knows what the future holds:
  - ii. Demon possession is real:
- e. The Demons knew Jesus:
  - i. **Mark 4:1-11**
  - ii. **Mark 5:6-8**
  - iii. **Mark 9:14-29**
  - iv. **James 2:19**
- f. The possessed girl points out three things:
  - i. They serve the One True God:
  - ii. They are telling you how to be saved:
  - iii. Freedom from sin can only come from God:
- g. **Acts 19:13-16**
- h. **Acts 16:18**
- i. **Acts 16:20-21**
- j. **Acts 16:24**

## 2. Prison Revival:

- a. **Acts 16:25-34**
- b. If your faith and your identity are found in Jesus Christ, you are on a firm foundation.
- c. **Acts 16:28**
- d. **Acts 16:17**
- e. **Acts 16:29-30**
- f. The pressing question of all mankind – What must I do to be saved?
- g. The world says there are many answers to what you need to do to save mankind:
- h. **Acts 16:31-33**
- i. **Acts 2:38**
- j. **Acts 16:34**

## 3. What Would Ceasar Say?

- a. **Acts 16:37**
- b. **Acts 16:39**
- c. 2014 movie – *Frank-Vs-God*