

# Showing the Way of Salvation and Opening the Eyes of the Blind I

*And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying: The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour. And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers, And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city*

-Acts 16:16-20

In this passage of Scripture we find the followers of Jesus doing just that, following (Matt. 4:19; 1 Pet. 2:21) Jesus in HIS good works (Acts 10:38). There is not another book in the Bible that is more action packed than this book. What were they specifically doing? They were showing people *the way of salvation*.

The entire Book of Acts is a book (often referred to as the Gospel of the Holy Spirit) where the followers of Christ are reaching people!

In the same manner that Christ came to seek and to save that which was lost (Luke 19:10), we too must commit ourselves to doing the same. In other words, they were simply continuing to do the ministry that Christ did. And, we are commanded to do the same (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8)! **There is no greater time to do this than this time of the year!**

Over the Next Two Months we have the opportunity to do the same:

- ★ *Won By One*—Chance to learn how to witness to the lost
- ★ *Fall Program*—A six week push to reach as many people as possible for Christ
- ★ *Friend Day Sunday*—A special day to reach as many friends, relatives, and neighbors as possible for Christ

## ***Why do should we have these special pushes?***

- ★ Over 3 billion people in the world today have never even heard the Gospel.  
[A billion is a thousand millions; This means if you took every second, of every hour, of every day over the last thirty years you would have a billion seconds]
- ★ Sin is killing 143 people every minute; Sin is killing 8,580 every hour; 205,920 every day; Sin is killing 1,440,400 every week; Sin is killing 6,373,000 every month; Sin is killing 74,920,000 every year; And more than half of these are lost, without Christ on their way to a devil's hell.

As Bible-believing Christians, we need to live with a “spirit of urgency”

The N.T. Christians were a people who lived in light of eternity with a “spirit of urgency.”

## ***As Members of PBC What Can We Do During this Special Time of Harvest?***

- 1) Sign-Up and show up for Won By One.
- 2) Get Involved with the Fall Program.
- 3) Carry Tracts with you everywhere.
- 4) Invite Everyone you can to Friend Day .
- 5) Pray for God to do something big this Fall!