

Acts 16:19-30

Hitting the Nail on The Head

Paul and Silas are thrown into prison after first being beaten with rods. The jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly, there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!"

The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

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The jailer hit the nail on the head, didn't he? He could have asked, "What caused the trembling?" Or, "How did you make the doors open?" Instead he asked the most important question anyone can ask, "What must I do to be saved?" That's it, isn't it? Without knowing the question, what hope would we have? Because we do know it and because we also know the answer, we can live a life of hopefulness and inner peace.



Photo: What does it mean to hit the nail on the head?

Prayer: Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.