

Acts 17:1-15

Who is Our Leader?

Paul and Silas travel to Thessalonica to preach the gospel. As was their custom, they go to the Jewish synagogue to tell the people about Jesus. Some of the Jews and Greeks were converted and believed that Christ is Lord and that he died on the cross and rose again to save all of us. Other Jews became jealous of Paul and Silas because they were winning souls to a someone that they didn't believe in.

Paul and Silas were staying with a man named Jason. The Jews could not find Paul and Silas, so they dragged Jason and his family in front of the city officials. That night, some of the followers of Paul and Silas helped them get out of town and they went to Berea. Once again, they went to the synagogue, and once again, they created a turmoil in town. And, again, many Jews and Greeks came to believe in Jesus as their savior and as their spiritual leader.



Photo: Map showing Thessalonica

Every Day with God

Paul and Silas did not have it easy going when they traveled from city to city spreading the good news. As we know, they were jailed, dragged into the street, beaten, and severely criticized for their preaching. Still, they persisted because they knew God was on their side.

You and I are often faced with seemingly insurmountable challenges. We don't know whether to give up or continue ahead. If we truly believe like Paul and Silas that God is with us and that he will guide us, we have no reason to fear anything. With God on our side, we continue to move forward, we continue to let Jesus lead.

Prayer: Thanks, Lord, for leading me. Help me not to forget your guidance.