



April 26, 2026, Paul and Silas

Acts 16:16-34

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

God of radical welcome, challenge us to hear your gospel in new and different ways, that our faith might be enriched and deepened as we struggle to find its meaning for us today. In the name of Jesus, who crossed boundaries and ministered to the marginalized, even to his own condemnation. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." (Acts 16:29-31)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Paul and Silas were imprisoned for casting out a spirit of divination against the wishes of the spirit's owners. While there, they used the opportunity to convert the jailer.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Tell of a time something you did had unexpected consequences. What would you do if you were locked up for doing something good and right?
- For the littles: Do you always do the right thing? It's ok. Nobody does.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God work through you in unexpected ways. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Connect with a prison chaplain. Visit the prison with them the next time they go.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the Narrative Lectionary daily readings.

Monday: *Paul and Silas*, Acts 16:35-40

Tuesday: *The Council at Jerusalem*, Acts 15:1-11

Wednesday: *The Council at Jerusalem*, Acts 15:12-21

Thursday: *Timothy Joins Paul and Silas*, Acts 16:1-5

Friday: *Paul's Vision of the Man of Macedonia*, Acts 16:6-10

Saturday: *The Conversion of Lydia*, Acts 16:11-15