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The psalmist David too called out to the Lord when he was in desperate straits. He prayed, "Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice!" (Ps. 27:7). Then David testified expectantly, "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart" (v.14).

God specialises in showing His power in hopeless situations. Israel was in just such a place when God parted the sea before them (Ex. 13:17-14:31). Daniel was protected in the lion's den (Dan. 6:10-23). Paul and Silas were delivered from prison (Acts 16:25-40).

God made a way for Rebecca too. A better job she had applied for months earlier suddenly opened up. The increase in her income would cover the rent. Then a family in her church made a newer car available to her.

If life seems to be closing in on you, don't despair! Trust God. He has promised to make a way. --DCE

**Our unknown future is secure in the hands of our all-knowing God.**



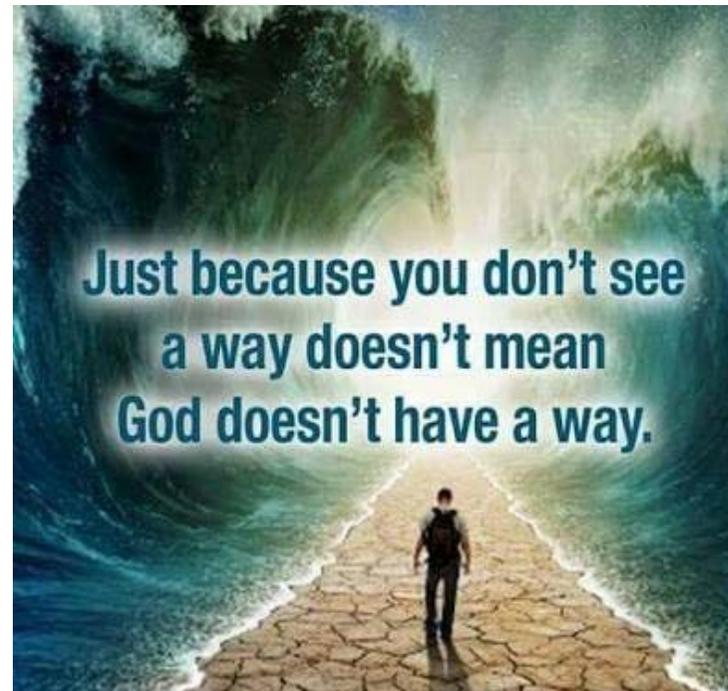
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### God Will Make A Way

**Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart. --Psalm 27:14**

Rebecca was at her lowest as she drove her aging car to the day-care centre to pick up her daughter. Her boss was making life difficult again. The landlord was raising the rent. And as a single mum, she felt all alone. "I'm trying my best," she told God. "Please help me."



Just then these words came on the radio in a song:

*God will make a way  
Where there seems to be no way;  
He works in ways we cannot see,  
He will make a way for me.*

"Please do that for me, God," Rebecca pleaded. "I can't go any

# Insights for Living Learning from the Church at Philippi



We can learn some lessons from the characters involved in planting the church at Philippi:

## 1. Have an \_\_\_\_\_ heart, Acts 16:11-15

**(Revelation 3:20)** ""Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."

**(2 Corinthians 3:16)** "Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away."

**(Acts 26:18)** ""to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.""



## 2. Beware the \_\_\_\_\_, Acts 16:16-18

**(Matthew 12:43-45)** ""When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. {44} 'Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. {45} 'Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. ...'""

**(Leviticus 19:26)** ""You shall not eat anything with the blood, nor shall you practice divination or soothsaying."

**(Leviticus 20:6)** ""And the person who turns to mediums and familiar spirits [spiritists], to prostitute himself with them, I will set My face against that person and cut him off from his people."

**(John 8:44)** ""You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."

**BE CAREFUL**

**Don't ever believe Satan**

For he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44

## 3. Expect \_\_\_\_\_, Acts 16:19-24

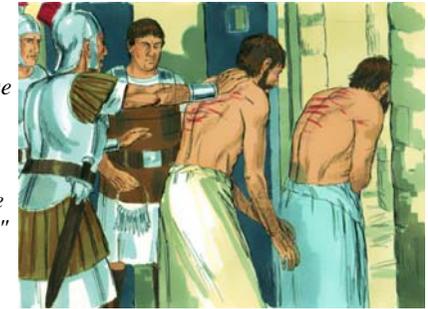
**(John 3:19)** ""... men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."

**(2 Corinthians 2:15-16)** "For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. {16} To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the aroma of life leading to life. And who is sufficient for these things?"

**(1 Corinthians 16:13-14)** "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. {14} Let all that you do be done with love."

**(Matthew 10:24-26)** ""A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. {25} 'It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they call those of his household! {26} 'Therefore do not fear them. ...'""

**(John 15:20)** ""Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also."



## 4. Be \_\_\_\_\_, Acts 17:14-15, 18:1, 5, 19:22

**(1 Timothy 6:8)** "And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content."

**(Luke 3:14)** "... be content with your wages."

**(Hebrews 13:5)** "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.'""

**(1 Timothy 6:6-7)** "Now godliness with contentment is great gain. {7} For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out."

**(Philippians 4:4)** "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!"

**(Philippians 4:6-7)** "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; {7} and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

**(James 1:2-3)** "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, {3} knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience."

**(1 Peter 1:3-7)** "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, {4} to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, {5} who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. {6} In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, {7} that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,"

**(Colossians 3:2)** "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth."

