

Story 126: Paul Writes to the Christians in Philippi

Paul went to the city of Philippi to tell the people about Jesus. Philippi was a Roman city. The people were not Jews – they were called Gentiles. In that city, many people did not want to hear about Jesus. They beat Paul and put him in jail. But God helped Paul get out of jail. Some people became believers and formed a church. After Paul left Philippi, he wrote a letter to the church. He told them some things to help them grow in their faith.

“God is working in you to make you willing and able to obey Him. Do everything without grumbling or arguing. Then you will be the pure and innocent children of God. You live among people who are crooked and evil, but you must not do anything that they can say is wrong. Try to shine as lights among the people of this world.” –
Philippians 2:13-15

“Don’t worry about anything, but pray about everything. With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God. Then, because you belong to Christ Jesus, God will bless you with peace that no one can completely understand. And this peace will control the way you think and feel.” – Philippians 4:6-7

“I am not complaining about having too little. I have learned to be satisfied with whatever I have. I know what it is to be poor or to have plenty, and I have lived under all kinds of conditions. I know what it means to be full or to be hungry, to have too much or too little. Christ gives me the strength to face anything.” – Philippians 4:11-13