

Power Plays on the Missions Trail, Part 3

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Text: Acts 16:19-34 NASB

1. Rejoice always. *Psalm 34:1, 42:11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16*

Give God praise for all He has done. Praise God in the hard times and praise God in the good times. Rejoice always. Let praises always be on your lips. Choose to rejoice. God is faithful!

2. God uses His power to help you complete your mission. *Philippians 1:6, 2:13*

Are you unsure about your next step? God has the power to move mountains for you. He will complete the work He has begun in you.

3. God uses His power to draw men to Himself. *John 6:44, 6:65; Acts 16:25-30*

God uses power evangelism to draw men to God and turn their hearts to believe in Him.

4. God wants all men to be saved. *John 3:16, 2 Peter 3:9*

God demonstrates His love by moving in power to save our lives from the grip of Satan, sin and death. And then gives us eternal life in Christ.

5. Trust God's plan. *Isaiah 42:16, Jeremiah 29:11, Proverbs 3:5-6, Ephesians 2:10*

God's plan was to break Paul and Silas out of jail and save Stephanus and his household. Where are you right now? Are you in a place where you can't see the way out? Are you in the midst of a season of suffering? Do you have a chronic condition? Are you deep in debt? God has a plan for you. Trust Him. He will never leave you or forsake you.

Have you drifted from God and you don't know what to do next? Say your sorry. Hebrews 10:22 says draw near to God and He will sprinkle your conscience clean. 1 John 1:9 says if you confess your sins He will forgive you and cleanse you from all unrighteousness. James 4:8 says to draw near to God and He will draw near to you. That's right! The God of the universe who sits on the throne wants to be with you.

Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him!