

Acts 16:6-15  
Luke & Lydia  
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Acts 16:5-15

Acts 16:6-10 Spirit's Leading & Luke

- Closed doors – 6-8
  - Holy Spirit/ Spirit of Jesus – Romans 8:9; Galatians 4:6; Philippians 1:19; 1 Peter 1:11.
  - What happened? We don't know.
  - Moved on to Troas
- New Direction: Vision in the night 9-10
  - Man from Macedonia
  - New continent – Europe!
  - Immediate obedience
  - “We”/ “Us” - Luke joins the party!

Acts 16:11-15 Open Heart's & Lydia

- Travel North – Philippi
  - Roman Colony, Leading city
- Standard Operating Procedure – Synagogue 1<sup>st</sup>
  - No synagogues – so go to the river!
  - Paul sat down – sign of a teacher!
- 1<sup>st</sup> Convert: Lydia - Worshiper of God
  - “The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message.”
  - Baptized (river – convenient!) & hospitality

Application: How can I be “Spirit led?”

- Check your motive.
  - James 4:3 – God's will vs. our pleasure
- Beware of your own feelings/ perceptions.
  - Jeremiah 17:9 – Heart is deceitful
- Check it against the Bible.
  - Galatians 5:16-26 – Flesh vs. Spirit
- Walk in obedience.
  - Colossians 1:10 – Walk to please Him
- Seek out Godly wisdom - Acts 15:40
  - Proverbs 11:14; 15:22; 24:6 – Many counselors
- Take some steps in that direction - Acts 16:7