

# **Living a Christ-Centered Life**

## **LESSON 40 & 41: Christ-centered Christians work with God**

In **Acts 16-17** we find Paul on his second mission trip. He will encounter God-given opportunities to tell people about Jesus and the resurrection; he will enjoy success; and he will suffer persecution.

A main emphasis of Luke in this section is how God is active throughout this mission.

### **Questions to consider**

1. Do you ever see evidence that God is at work in this world? What is the evidence?
  
2. Do you see opposition, illness, stress, and hard times as obstacles to faith or opportunities for faith?

### **Word study on *God's goal***

V. 16:10 "Concluding" = "To put it all together."

V. 17:4 "Persuaded" = "Convinced; accept evidence; inwardly certain"

V. 17:31 "Proof" = "Persuasion, assurance, conviction"

### **How does God work in the lives of people?**

1. God works through his Spirit to effect lives and direction. (Acts 16:6-10)
  
2. God works in believers to know better. (Acts 16:13-15)
  
3. God works through hard circumstances. (Acts 16:22-34)
  
4. God works to answer seekers questions. (Acts 17:10-12)
  
5. God works to convince skeptics. (Acts 17:16-23)