

You Had To Go

*Through It*

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# Let's Read!

## Acts 16:22-34

"And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them. **(23)** *And when they laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:* **(24)** Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their fast in the stocks. **(25)** *And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them."*

**KJV Version.**



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"(26) And suddenly there was *a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.* (27) And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. (28) But Paul cried with a loud voiced, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here."

**KJV Version.**



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## Acts 16:22-34

"(29) Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, (30) And brought them out, and said, *Sirs, what must I do to be saved?* (31) And they said, *Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved*, and thy house. (32) And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. (33) And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; *and was baptized, he and all his*, straightway."

**KJV Version.**



# *Paul and Silas*

*(Acts 16:22-34)*

"(34) And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house."

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Paul and Silas **HAD** to suffer (get *beaten* and *imprisoned*), in order to be used by The Most High for **HIS Purpose and Glory**. They were positioned for purpose. If they weren't, the jailor and his house would not have been *saved* that day.



*Persecuted for  
Purpose.*

*Pain for  
Purpose.*

*Positioned for  
Purpose.*



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## *Through It...*

so The Most High could use your pain to save someone else. For example, *your testimony*. There is pain and trauma in it, but The Most High uses that pain and trauma for His Glory: *to add another sheep to His Holy Flock*.

Your pain has purpose.

Remember, we serve a self-*LESS* God. Instead of thinking your pain is to harm you, *think about how it's there to save someone else*.



Change Your Perspective

"How Can My Pain  
*Save* Someone  
Today?"



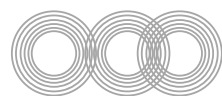
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# 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

"And he said unto me, *My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.* Most gladly therefore will **I rather glory in my infirmities**, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (10) **Therefore I take pleasures in infirmities**, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: *for when I am weak, then am I strong.*"

**KJV Version.**



# "My Strength Is Made

# *Perfect In Weakness..."*

Pain creates *passion*. Passion [*pascho* G3958] means "...to **suffer**". The Most High turns your pain into passion for His Glory. You start to deliver messages... **passionately**. You start to pray...**passionately**. You start to build for His Kingdom...**passionately**. You're doing the will of God...**passionately**. The **passion**, The Holy Spirit instilled in you, is used to glorify Him...

*Which we are called to do.*



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