

## Sermon Notes

Acts Series #42

Sermon Title: What is Your Story? #1

Speaker: Pastor Dan Cleghorn

Passage: Acts 16:11-18

Date: June 4, 2017

### I. The Story of Lydia

#### A. God's Direction – Acts 16:6–12



#### B. God's Salvation – Acts 16:13–15

attended = to yield, believe, embrace

### II. The Story of the Slave Girl – Acts 16:16–18

divination = Python, the Greek name given to the mythological serpent or dragon which lived at Pytho beneath Mount Parnassus and guarded the Delphic Oracle. The name then became the surname of Apollo, the god of divination in Greek mythology, and hence applied to all oracular and divinatory spirits. Such persons generally spoke with their mouth closed, uttering words considered beyond their own control, and so were also known as ventriloquists. Acts 16:16 speaks of Paul meeting and subsequently exorcising such a spirit of divination from a young woman at Philippi. Luke uses the word *manteuoménē* (pres. part. of *manteúomai* [3132], to divine, soothsay, never used of true inspiration or prophetic utterance, only here in NT) to describe her oracular speech, which was obviously inspired by a demonic power. (Spiros Zodhiates, *The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament* (Chattanooga, TN: AMG Publishers, 2000).

grieved = be irked, disturbed, troubled, greatly annoyed (James Swanson, *Dictionary of Biblical Languages with Semantic Domains: Greek (New Testament)* (Oak Harbor: Logos Research Systems, Inc., 1997).