

"A Letter from a Friend"

Philippians 1:1-2
(series #1)

I. The Spread of the Gospel to Europe - Acts 16:11-40

- A. Lydia vv. 14-15
- B. The Slave Girl vv. 16-24
- C. The Philippian jailor and his family vv. 25-40

II. The Salutation of the Letter - Philippians 1:1-2

- A. "Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Jesus Christ"
- B. "to all the saints in Christ Jesus"
- C. "with the bishops" or "with the overseers"
 - 1. The Titles
 - 2. The Responsibilities
- D. "and deacons"
 - 1. The two differences between elders and deacons
 - a. Elders are required to be able to teach
 - b. Deacons have invested or transferred authority
 - 2. The support for female deacons - I Timothy 3:11
 - a. Grammatical reason - "the women"
 - b. Contextual reason - "Likewise"
 - c. Comparative reason - Romans 16:1
 - d. Hierarchical reason
- E. "Grace to you and peace"